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ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

E. JONES (Porth).—Terry McGovern (the Brooklyn Terror) has never fought Ben Jordan.

A CONSTANT READER.—Yes, twice; one win and one lose.

TOM FISH (Leeds).—As nearly as possible twenty years.

A. A. A. (Findon Grange).—George Wallace won a Sheffield handicap at New Hall Grounds, November 26, 1875, and at Hyde Park on May 26, 1874.

THOMAS PETERSON (Clown, Derbyshire).—Jake Kilrain and Jem Smith fought 106 rounds on December 19, 1887.

MICHAEL MCKENNA (Dundee).—Chest normal, 44 inches; chest expanded, 48 inches.

W. D. WATKINS.—At Wembley Park.

T COATES.—1. S. Loates, with 160 wins. 2. L. Reiff, with 55 wins. 3. No.

R. F. F.—Of the classic races Jeddah won the Derby.

ALF GREENAWAY.—According to your paper the amount should be £2 10s. 11d.

H. MOLTEN.—1. His height is 5ft 8¼in. 2. About 11st 3lb.

D. RICH.—With hands only 1,571¼lb of solid iron was lifted by Jefferson, at Boston, U.S.A.

F. SPENCER.—1. He is now in South Africa. 2. Yes, in the usual way.

H. MORGAN.—1. Born in Birmingham. 2. 5ft 3¼in.

D. D.—1. Fought a draw. 2. For £200 a-side.

OLD SUBSCRIBER.—Nick Ward was champion in 1841. He was brother to Jem Ward, who was champion in 1825.

T. MELDOR.—Yes, certainly.

J. RANDALL.—The paper you mention is not published.

T. REDMOND.—1. Bendigo won the race once only. 2. Was second three times.

J. H. P.—The two horses, Filemaker and Rosebery, have both cleared 7ft 6in.

G. RIDGWAY.—The highest number was 246 wins.

H. BATON.—1. No; only twice. 2. At the N.S.C.

T. W. BEST.—The portraits will appear shortly.

A. KING.—1. This year. The Abbot by Chimes—Nettle King, covered a mile in 2·03¼ at Terre Haute, Ind., September 25. 2. The trotters have the best record. The fastest time by a pacer for one mile was 2·03¼, made by a stallion named Frank Bogush. 3. All American.

J. PROCTOR.—The boat is being built for the America Cup race.

J. WANDSWORTH.—From Regent Street to the Aquarium at Brighton in 5h 10min 14sec.

F. T. GUNN.—1. Tom Sharkey was born at Dundalk, Ireland. 2. Yes.

C. ROBERTS.—1. Running backwards, 100yd. time 12 sec. 2. H. Price.

PIMLICO.—J. B. Johnson's noted dive from London Bridge was made on June 2, 1871.

H. C. A.—1. The second championship of England challenge cup was won outright by Durham with three successive victories. 2. Putney to Mortlake.

W. NEWTON.—The name is an assumed one.

C. C.—They went twenty rounds at the N.S.C.

G. H. HARDY.—Running, hop, step, and jump, 49ft 2in.

TU PHIL.—1. The ring was 16ft square. 2. Can be enlarged to 24ft if desired, or contracted to 14ft.

C. P.—It is a catch bet.

(Several Answers crowded out).

THE PHILOSOPHIC "PEDLAR" PALMER.

HOW HE TOOK THE DECISION.

"TAKE ME TO YOUR ARMS AGAIN"—THE LAY OF THE BARNSBURY B.C.

MIKE MADDEN used often to say concerning Jem Mace, when the latter's pre-eminence as a fighter was a thing which was too evident for suppression, "I wish I had the blanker in a sawpit." Now, a sawpit is just the place where two boxers having grievances might fight an "all in" battle, the one that came out on top to be adjudged the victor. Now, we hear a lot of propositions both from "Pedlar" Palmer and Harry Ware, but we do not hear anything of this kind. When J. C. Heenan thought he had been cheated out of the fight by the referee's decision of a draw in the international contest, Heenan v. Sayers, the "Benecia Boy," in a letter to *Bell's Life*, offered to take hold of hands and jump from a house together. Now, we were prepared for Palmer's win, for we know how artful and full of resource is the little man from Poplar, but not for the verdict at, all places above others, the N.S.C. Heenan was very much incensed, and talked about jumping from a house when the decision was a draw and a belt apiece. Now it shows how different are the times and manners. Palmer is adjudged a loser by the referee, although a winner in the eyes of the multitude, and this verdict only serves to bring out Palmer's philosophy. "Our own 'Pedlar'" does not talk about sawpits or house jumping, or having Ware's vitals or any such foolery, he simply says "Better luck next time." Why, it is quite a treat to hear such sentiments. In the old days seas would have had to divide the contestant who was a victim to the referee's verdict from the other fellow, or bloodshed was likely to ensue, but the Philosophic Palmer meets his recent opponent the day after the fight, not with the bad blood that might easily be engendered by the referee's decision when seeing his recent opponent take the long end of the purse; but with perfect good humour, the only unkind word uttered to Ware—that is, if it could be called unkind—"Well, Harry, you know I could always beat you." Such virtuous moderation, such calm philosophy on such a trying occasion has its reward:—

Those like "Ped" now that never liked before,
And those "Ped." always liked now like him more.

We have not seen any letter in print entitled "The Verdict, and Why I Gave It," by the referee. Harry Preston, the recent referee, is a Birmingham amateur boxer contemporary with the celebrated Tommy Hill, and proprietor of an hotel at Bournemouth.

Many years ago there appeared in the pages of *Punch* a cartoon entitled, "The Naughty Boy who chalked 'No Popery on the door and then ran away." The door belongs to the mansion of Cardinal Wiseman, then the newly-appointed Archbishop of Westminster, and the naughty boy who has chalked "No Popery" on the door and is frightened at his temerity into running away is Lord John Russell. Now the Barnsbury B.C., we do not say all its members, we will not be so sweeping, have metaphorically chalked "No Popery" on the door of the A.B.A., and then astonished at their audacity have begged for pardon. Who so bold as this same Barnsbury B.C. a short time since, and who so servile now. In a novel called "Marcella," written by Mrs. Humphrey Ward, the heroine establishes a strawplaiting company in the village, giving 1s 6d for a day's labour, where before the villagers only received 10d. One old villager is proof against this new order of things and would rather have a safe 10d from her old employer. The Barnsbury Boxing Club are very much like the old woman in the novel, they would rather be servile and have the safe 10d in the shape of association with the A.B.A., than have the 1s 6d and be independent. We ask, what has this club to lose? Have they any idea of entering promising pupils for next year's amateur championships? We should think the A.B.A., for the sake of its dignity, would not accept them after the challenge thrown out that the Barnsbury B.C. would give cups of the same value as those given at the amateur contests, and that members of the Barnsbury B.C. should box last year's winners at all weights for these trophies. This was a defi which no fellow could understand after the club's present weakened conduct. The Barnsbury B.C. appear to be like little ducklings who have run away from the parent bird and taken to the water, but are too frightened to swim alone. In their terror they have run back to their mother and asked to be taken under her wings. The Barnsbury B.C. are like Bombastes Furioso in this. After metaphorically hanging up their boots with the placard affixed:

Whoever dare these boots displace,
Shall meet Bombastes face to face;
Thus do I challenge all the human race,

have pusillanimously taken down the boots after their bunkum challenge to all weights of last year's championships. What is the meaning of this retrograde movement, of this change of front? Are not the silver cups forthcoming, or are the Barnsbury B.C. men afraid that the challenge may be accepted? From what we can see, if the A.B.A. take the recalcitrant Barnsbury B.C. to their arms again they will still be marked as black sheep, and looked upon as not having the courage of their opinions, whereas if they had stood their ground they would have had the support of all right thinking sportsmen of whatever denomination.

THE RATIONAL DRESS IN HOUNDSDITCH.

The Lady was offered a Pair of Unmentionables of Gaudy Pattern.

(Subject of Illustration.)

SOMETIMES standing behind a lady who is wearing the rational dress she appears not unlike one of the masculine gender, and still more so if she be wearing a small bowler hat or cap. A young lady attired in this style was brought up by a rude shock to her nerves while passing down that well-known street that takes its name after the county in which it is situated, and is the abode of sheenies. She at the time was passing a second-hand wardrobe shop, and the proprietor thinking he had a likely customer, produced a pair of square checked trousers for her inspection and acceptance; of course the lady blushed and indignantly rejected the offer.

VISITORS TO "THE MIRROR OF LIFE" OFFICE.

AMONG the prominent people who have visited us this week are:—

Gerald H. Parkinson, Esq.
"Kid" McCoy (of New York).
Ted Daly (of Barnsbury).
Professor A. J. Newton.
Bill Lang.
Dan Sullivan.
Private Healey (7th Royal Fusiliers).
Matt Wood (regatta promoter).
Peublo Brothers (comedians).
Joe Ross.
Thomas Harris.
Harry Munroe.
Bert Adams.
"Young Chips."
Steve Morgan.
Ben F. Rosenthal (manager of the Walhalla Troupe).
Jack Fraser (of Portland, U.S.A.).
George Procter.
Harry Slough.
Joe Carroll (champion catch-as-catch-can).
William Klein (wrestler).
Walter Armstrong (cross-buttocker).
Charley Hutton.
Bob Hartnote.
Dick Curtis (New Cross).
Jack Carkeek (champion wrestler).
"Sailor" Richardson.
Fred Johnson.
Bill Wood.
Harry Davis.
Bert Hastings.
Dave Morbin.
Jack Emblin.
Mr. Ted May (costumier).
Joe Goodwin.
Joe Scannell.
Bazzel Henry Forrest.
Mrs. Joe Faileck.
Clara Bernarde (music hall artiste).

"DUMMY" PARRY, OF LIVERPOOL, will box "Dido" Lorne, Frank Stewart, or Joe Addley, of Liverpool, at 8st 10lb, give or take 2lb, if the Liverpool Gymnastic Club will give a purse worth training for, and a gentleman will have a good side bet on the result.

CONVICTS MURDER A WARDER AND ESCAPE FROM SING SING PRISON, NEW YORK.

One Prisoner Killed While Attempting to Escape.

(Subject of Illustration.)

THE West Side Court is in West Fifty-fourth Street. It is a handsome modern structure. Back of it, facing on Fifty-third Street, is a prison built as strong as steel and stone can make it. Adjoining court and prison buildings are the stables of the old Ninth Avenue Railroad Company, now used by the Metropolitan Traction Company for the storage of old rails. Keeper McGovern, who was holding the night watch in the prison, entered the top tier of cells, closing and locking the door behind him. He was alone in the corridor, he thought. Behind barred doors many prisoners were sleeping, some innocuous, others desperate, sleeping where they could not get at him if they would. There was no help near. One or two trusties slept in unlocked cells, from which they could turn out at dawn to wash down the floors and walls. But they were unarmed and helpless against two such demons as these. Far below, in the general office, was night keeper John Brady in charge. Down the corridor, unsuspicious, passed the keeper. Behind the bars of cell No. 6, in darkness made more dense by the flickering gas jet in the hall, crouched the felons, ready to spring. Whistling softly, the keeper passed a door. He stopped and peered in. Then he went on—the door swung open—out of it crept a black, barefooted shape. There was a single crushing blow, and the keeper fell with a groan, a single "Oh!" which ushered him into eternity. The men quickly sawed through the rods protecting the window, caring little for the noise they made, for they were now reckless. They rigged up a rope of bedding, and the rope which composed the bottom of their bed, and fastened one end to the remaining portion of the bars. Then Flanagan, light and agile, swung down, slid safely to the ledge, and from thence leaped easily to safety, and away he went into the silence of the street, knowing well how to keep clear from the eyes of sleepy policemen. It is believed that he found his sweetheart near at hand with hat and coat, for no one on the street who has been found took notice of the hatless, coatless figure which went down that risky way, while his companion Emerson falls to death in the courtyard below.

HUNTING THE TURKEY IN CANADA.

Calls and Traps to Tempt the Birds to their Destruction.

(Subject of Illustration.)

THE turkey which graces our table at Christmas is really an American bird. Here, at the first fall of snow, the hunter goes forth at evening time to get a good bag. The birds will be found roosting on the trees. It is then that the hunter or sportsman can get close to his quarry, and perhaps grasp a couple without any trouble. Another plan is arranged by hiding in the thick bushes, and, using a call, attract the birds within range, and when they offer an advantageous shot he generally manages to secure a few before the unsuspicious birds have realised the fraud practised upon them.

THE NATIONAL GAME OF OUR AMERICAN COUSINS.

Fair Girls Become Expert Baseball Players.

(Subject of Illustration.)

BASEBALL, the national game of America, is played before thousands, and several influential clubs when contesting a match secure the attendance of as many as from fifty to seventy thousand spectators. All the colleges and schools have their champion players. The ladies, attired in short skirts, to enable them to run from base to base, play skilfully at the game. A team only recently put up a good game against their masculine opponents which attracted visitors from all parts of the country.

FORESHADOWING THE VICTORY FOR McKINLEY.

Rival Beauties Fight and the Republican Beat the Democratic Amazon.

(Subject of Illustration.)

THE Presidential election in America has again placed Mr. McKinley in the chair of State at the White House, Washington. The supporters of each candidate have been warm in their endeavours to secure their return, and many bets have depended on the result, also many blows. Two young women of Chicago, each carrying a flag with the name of her chosen candidate, had a sharp tussle, and the maid for McKinley foreshadowed the result of his election by vanquishing her opponent, the lady who claimed to carry the Bryan flag to victory.

AMERICAN GOSSIP.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

New York, November 10, 1900.

Editor, The Mirror of Life, London.

Misguided young men continue to subject themselves to physical pain and humiliation of spirit in efforts to teach one Terence McGovern, of Brooklyn, something of the fighting game. That enterprising gentleman appears to possess scientific resources that never fail him in a Queensberry debate, and the muscular logic of his opponents has invariably fallen flat, a position by the way usually assumed by the logicians. McGovern's victory over Bernstein is one of the champion's best performances, and while this statement may create surprise it is nevertheless a fact. Joe Bernstein has given constant proof in the past few years that he is one of the hardest men in the ring to make an impression on. He is physically so rugged it is next to impossible to check him with the heaviest blows, and while he is not himself a hard hitter, he has demonstrated his ability to inflict much damage at close quarters. Being an expert wrestler, Bernstein can worry an opponent who fancies the slap-bang style of contest. Up to the time of his defeat at the hands of the champion, but one knock-out had been scored against the Ghetto champion. That was accomplished by "Spike" Sullivan, January 11, 1897, and took seven rounds, the same number employed by McGovern. Bernstein is 40 per cent. better to-day than at that time, and Sullivan had a great advantage in weight. At the present time there is no man in the ring up to 126lb., except McGovern, who can put Bernstein away decisively. Nine times in ten the bout will be a draw, and on the other occasion Bernstein will lose on a foul. In 1899 Bernstein had three twenty-five round draws with Eddie Sullivan, a twenty-round draw with Eddie Lenny, and lost decisions to McGovern and Dixon in twenty-five rounds each. In 1898 Bernstein fought a twenty-round draw with Eddie Santry. Just before the Horton law went out of existence Bernstein gave Oscar Gardner a rough hauling about, and lost on a foul. These facts prove that Bernstein well deserves his sobriquet of "Iron Man." Therefore, McGovern, by putting the east-sider away so quickly and decisively, gives evidence of marked increase in hitting powers, and is to-day fully equipped to exchange thumps with the best light-weights in the world, none of whom can take the punishment of the black-haired, wiry Bernstein. It is announced that the much-talked-of match between McGovern and Gans has been clinched, and will take place before the Tattersall's Athletic Club, Chicago, on December 11. Manager Harris has finally accepted Gans's proposition to weigh 133lb., at 7 p.m., which will give the negro a decided advantage in weight. On the other hand, Gans will be badly handicapped by the part of the contract which requires that he stop McGovern in six rounds or lose the decision. Erne bound himself to stop McGovern in ten rounds or lose the decision, and the shoe was on the other foot in three rounds. There is small reason to doubt that Gans will share the fate of Erne. Gans is a harder puncher than Erne, and may, of course, land a knock-out, but the chances are that the Brooklyn boy's speed and pile-driving shots will win the day. This bout will prove to be one of the most interesting ever arranged.

Here is the first serious charge of unfairness I ever heard against Terry McGovern. It was made to me by a chin-whiskered man with whom I fell into unwilling conversation on the train to Pompton, N.J. "I was to Coney Island," the Pompton man informed me, "and I saw that kinetoscope fight between McGovern and Dixon. I've no use for McGovern any more. I saw by a single round of that kinetoscope scrap that he don't fight fair. Why, time and again the Coon would hit out for McGovern's head. And what would McGovern do then? Would he stand up and fight like a man? No, not he! He'd just dodge or bend his head sideways, and the blow would miss him altogether. Now if you call that square, honest fighting, why, I don't!" It is wiseacres of this sort that claim rank with the Sunday-school teacher who (after reading to her pupils the sad tale of a man who spent all his money in a pool-room) ended her warning against pool-rooms with the tearful injunction: "Children, never touch a cue as long as you live!"

There is a possibility that boxing will be resumed in Greater New York shortly after the next Legislature convenes, but not under the control of the clique that virtually monopolised the game during the existence of the Horton law. Several attempts were made in those happy days by parties with Republican backing to establish clubs in this city. After leasing buildings and going to much expense the promoters were unable to procure licenses, and were frozen out. The scheme now is to pass a bill in the next Legislature that will keep the boxing game out of the hands of the Sullivan-O'Rourke contingent, and give a chance to a few gentlemen who are close to Boss Platt. Several Republican politicians have expressed themselves openly since election day to the effect that a big percentage of the New York public want boxing and should be allowed to indulge in their favourite sport. Senator Platt is said to have given his consent to the proposed measure, and promised to assist his faithful followers to get some of the easy money that is supposed to flow into the treasuries of boxing clubs. One prominent Republican is quoted as saying: "Yes, there is such a plan under consideration, and the prospects are that we will succeed in our venture. There is no reason why we should not be allowed to pull off boxing shows, just like certain Democratic politicians were permitted to do. We are confident of being able to get a bill passed that will give us the power to pull off fights, beginning in March or April." In the meantime, the Democratic politicians who enjoyed the monopoly under the Horton law are quietly awaiting the turn of affairs.

An international trap shooting contest was decided at the Interstate Park Grounds, Queens, L.I., when James A. R. Elliott, of Kansas City, Mo., beat J. M. Postans, of London, England, in a contest at fifty live birds per man, Interstate rules, for a wager of $250 a-side, the loser to pay the cost of the match. Both men shot from scratch, thirty yards rise, fifty yards boundary. Elliott won the match by killing 47 birds to the Englishman's 44. The shoot was a hummer from start to finish. Thomas W. Morfey, the veteran pigeon shot, furnished the birds, and they were as sporty a lot as the most exacting wing shot could ask for. Right and left quarterers, towers, incomers, and twisters followed each other so rapidly that the match proved to be a splendid test of marksmanship. Elliott shot in grand form, missing but one of his birds in each string. Postans missed five of his twenty-four. Thereafter he shot a fine up-hill race, and was frequently cheered by a big crowd of spectators for his excellent work under difficulties against so strong a shot as Elliott.

"Wizard" Jake Schaefer has signed a six months' contract to play in the leading billiard academy of Paris, and also in two others on the continent of Europe. He will arrive in this city on the 15th of this month, and after a week of exhibition play will sail for Paris on the 22nd. Ben Saylor, the California professional, expects to accompany the American "Wizard" on his tour.

THE TATTLER.

OUR LETTER BOX.

Letters are lying at our office for:—

"Kid" McCoy (of New York).
Tom "Pedlar" Palmer.
T. Naish.
Alec Hurley (two).
Bobby Dobbs (three).
Bill Hullett.
George Campbell.
Vesta Victoria (music-hall artiste).
Dick Burge.
W. Ecclestone ("Jolly Jumbo").
Stoker J. Dorney (H.M.S. Severn).
Mr. Mannering.
"Pop" (boxing caterer).
Pat Daly
"Dido" Plumb.
Ben Jordan.
D. Wentworth.
Peter Quinn.
Charles Connolly.
Billy Ross.
George Slark.
Joe Gans (two).
George Fox Giles.
Jem Holloway (of South Africa).
Robert Fitzsimmons (middle-weight champion of the world) (three).
Ted Thorne.
W. J. Abbott.
P. Gorman.
F. Leon (two).
P. I. Newell.
A. McDonald.
Jem Hall (of Australia).
Driver Pincher.
Jem Corbett (of New York).
H. Chance Newton.
Claude Thompson.
"Greek" George.
Billy Plimmer.
Ernie Greaves.

"COCKNEY" COHEN, OF LEEDS, would like to box T. Snow, of Bermondsey, at any club who will give the best purse, N.S.C. preferred.

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BILL FIELDER,

Who Met Billy Smith at the National Sporting Club, Monday Evening, November 19.

(With Portrait.)

Beat Johnny Thomas in 6rds; beat Johnny Thomas in 10rds; beat George Slark in 10rds; beat "Wag" Lansdown (Army) in 6rds; beat Joe Barrett in 7rds; beat Dave Morbin in 6rds; beat Joe Johnson in 8rds; beat Bill Hoad in 5rds; beat George Cooper in 8rds; beat Tom Cooper in 2½rds; beat Marsh Winters in 1½rd; beaten by Sid Scales in 8rds; beat Dick Curtis in 6rds; beat Sam Knowles in 3rds; beat Alf White in a final competition in 1½rd; beaten by Dick Johnson on a foul in 1rd, also in 7rds; fought Harry Mansfield, draw, 15rds; met Billy Smith, of America (not the "Mysterious" one), and was defeated in 2rds.

NO WONDER THEY WERE SO QUIET.

Her Parents Started him Home at Two-thirty a.m.

(Subject of Illustration.)

Long past the hour of midnight, and young Spindler was still below with his beloved. The parents above had laid awake in the expectation of hearing the door closed behind him; but no, he tarried yet another hour, so the good dame, candle in hand, determined to investigate the affair, and inducing her husband to accompany her she made her way to the room below, when, shocking to relate, their dutiful daughter they found asleep in her partner's lap, and the clock at that moment denoted the hour of two-thirty. A vigorous poke in the ribs awoke the happy, but astonished, pair, and in the early morning air Spindler made his way to his bachelor abode.

CARRIED A MESSAGE OF WOE TO A DANCER.

One Step From Pleasure to Deepest Grief.

(Subject of Illustration.)

The revels were in full swing and the flowing bowl had been passed round, when in the height of the merriment the dancers were called to attention by the arrival of a youth. The messenger boy, with a letter for one of the ladies, in his neat little suit of dark blue, was quite conspicuous among the gaily dressed assembly. One of the girls touched him under the chin and proffered the lad a glass of champagne. It was the lady to whom the missive was addressed, but on opening the letter she received the sad news of the death of her lover, and left the hall of gaiety lamenting.

THEATRE CANES WELL FILLED WITH WHISKY.

Let on Hire for the Evening's Consumption.

(Subject of Illustration.)

The dude's cane of the crutch shape order is not always the harmless looking thing it seems in some instances. By unscrewing the top cigarettes, a pipe, and cigar-holder can be readily found. The latest thing in this line is a gentleman out west who has a few canes or sticks of his own invention. These are for those who go to the theatre and sit the performance through and are yet enabled to get a drink, for when the masher is apparently quietly sucking the handle of his cane he is in reality taking a drink from the spirits enclosed in the stick.

CONVERTED THE COFFIN INTO A SIDEBOARD.

Friends Invited to Drink to His Recovery.

(Subject of Illustration.)

At one time it was thought that William Regis had paid in his checks, and his coffin was ordered, but William refused to peg out on that occasion, so the coffin, instead of being returned, was placed aside, and when convalescent Bill invited a half-dozen of his best friends to a supper, and the coffin was brought forth, and for the time being converted into a sideboard in which was arranged bottles of choice spirits and glasses. The evening passed off enjoyably, the guests with raised glasses drinking a toast to the health of the vacant tenant.

ED. FITZGERALD,

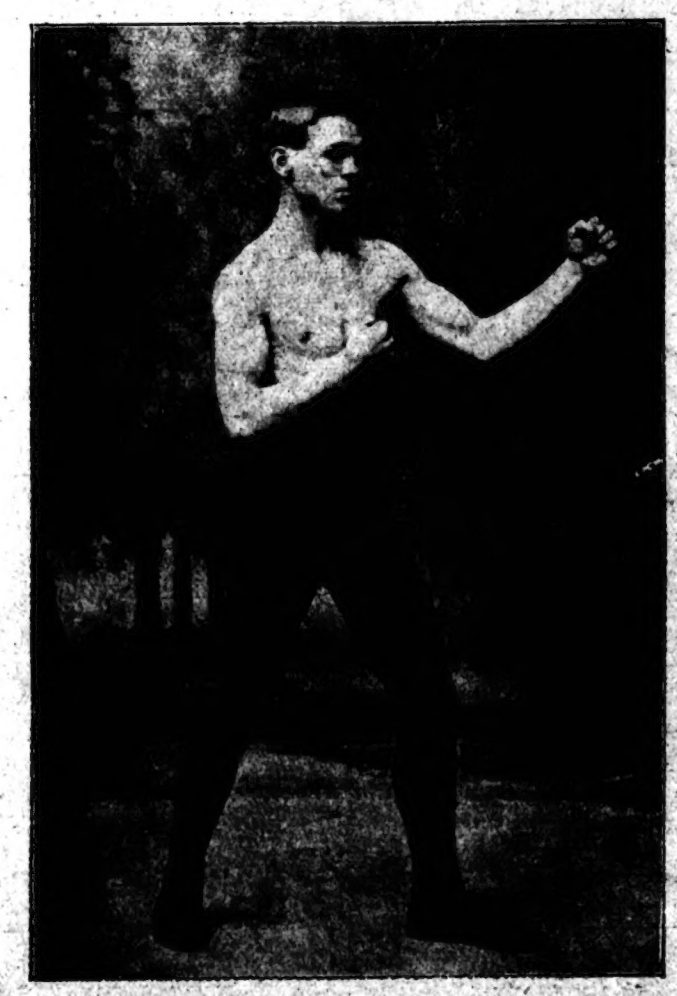
Of Australia, Matched to Box Jabez White, of Birmingham, at the National Sporting Club, January 26, 1901.

(With Portrait.)

Ed. Fitzgerald has beaten the following: "Chummy" Brown, 6rds; "Cocker" Tweedie, 7rds; Jem Murphy, 14rds; Mick O'Ives, 4rds; Jack Cullen, 2rds; Jerry Dean, 3rds; Jack Dyer, 9rds; Ned Cullen, 5rds "Sonny" Reid, 12rds; Ernie McAuliffe, 11rds; Tony Currie, 20rds; Arthur McFarline, 20rds; draws with Peter Murphy, Jack McAuliffe, and Jack McGowan.

LOST AND FOUND.

"I called in answer to an advertisement for a boy," said a bright-faced little chap to Mr. Goldstein, the mill owner, who was a bulky, red-faced man. He was about to leave his private carriage to enter the office when thus accosted. With him was a golden-haired little girl, who listened to the boy with eager interest. "Well, how old are you and where have you been working?" said the mill owner, looking at the lad sharply. "I came from the country, sir, where my mother and I worked in a small mill since father died. Now she is gone and so I came here to the big city hoping to find a better job." "Well, you are too young, and a boy that don't know the city is of no use to me. My advice is to go back to your former home," said Goldstein in a tone of dismissal of the subject, then he turned to his driver and said: "Take Miss Alice where she wants to go." The boy—Philip Martin by name—felt a lump rise in his th..t, and with a discouraged feeling walked listlessly down the thoroughfare. He had no home or friends and no shelter. Furthermore, he had spent nearly all his money in getting to the city. While meditating on what should be his next move he felt a gentle touch upon his arm and heard a sweet, low, childish voice say: "Never mind, here's a card with the name of my uncle on it, and he will give you work." Turning he saw again the face of the mill owner's daughter, Alice Goldstein. "It is all right," said she, "and never mind thanking me. I'd like the same thing happen to Will—that's my brother—if he was alone in a big city." Philip opened the paper containing the card and inside was a bright new half-a-crown. So unexpected was it all that as soon as the little Samaritan departed he burst into tears, whereupon some little fellows in passing called him "cry baby." Feeling very tired he sat down on one of the park seats intending to seek Alice's uncle when he had recovered his mental balance. He fell fast asleep and when he awoke the parcel which he brought from home containing a valuable recipe, a bible and his mother's photo had disappeared. Gradually, however, he thought of the little girl, of the card which bore the name of a possible employer and of his empty stomach. he thought of her and half-a-crown brought hope and comfort, so he proceeded to a restaurant and had his first square meal since arriving in the city. On leaving the place he again saw the Goldstein carriage and the fair Samaritan, who beckoned him to her side, and, much to his astonishment, held up the missing parcel, which had been stolen from him while asleep. Twenty years have passed since Philip Martin and Alice Goldstein met. During that time Phillip secured a good position and took up a study of medicine. He was now a prosperous physician, and one night was called into consultation, the case being that of a young man dying in squalor. As he entered the room his eyes met those of a beautiful young woman, who rose and extended both hands appealingly to him. "Do you not remember me?" said she; "do you not recall your first attempt to secure work in London." "Ah, indeed I do. Can this be the little Samaritan who saved me from despair? I tried in vain to keep track of you, but they told me you were travelling and I fancied you had settled down in married life. Maybe it is so!" "No," said she, "and I've done better by you, for I've followed your career these many years, and congratulate you on your great success with the Little Diamond Liver Pills." The doctor then listened to the painful story of the patient, who was the brother of Alice—the "black sheep of the family," who from boyhood had been alienated from his father and sister, was reinstated for awhile in his father's good graces, but later, through speculation, brought financial ruin and a suicide's end for the father. Dainty Alice, who had been supporting herself by teaching music, discovered his whereabouts, but too late, for he was at death's door. Dr. Martin on taking his leave said: "By the way, tell me how you found the parcel that day." "Well, I kept you in sight and so witnessed the act of the thief, and Jim, the coachman, made him give it up." As they stood talking Alice's eye fell on an old coin and a ring worn on the doctor's chain. The doctor read her thoughts and said: "Yes, that's the same coin, and it has been indeed a charm! There is my mother's photo, and, as you know, the recipe for the Little Diamond Liver Pills have saved many lives and reaped a fortune." They parted, but not before Alice's consent was given to his future calls, which resulted six months later in Dr. Martin's marriage to fair Alice. Prepared by the Little Diamond Liver Pill Co., 68, Stanmore Road, West Green, London, N. Price 1s. 1½d., per box of forty.—[Advt.]



TERRY McGOVERN,
The Greatest Little Man in the World, who Recently Knocked Out Joe Bernstein in Seven Rounds.

NO WONDER THEY WERE SO QUIET.
Her Parents Started him Home at 2.30 a.m.

JOE BERNSTEIN,
Who was Recently Knocked Out in Seven Rounds by Terry McGovern ("The Brooklyn Terror") at the Nonpareil A.C., Louisville, Kentucky.

CONVERTED THE COFFIN INTO A SIDEBOARD.
Friends Invited to Drink to his Recovery.

ROOST.

TURKEY CALLERS.

DECOYING THE TURKEY.

AN UNSUSPICIOUS TURKEY.

HUNTING THE TURKEY IN CANADA.

Calls and Traps to Tempt the Birds to their Destruction.

WRESTLING IN SOUTH LONDON.

CARKEEK AGAINST ALL COMERS.

THE STAR ATTRACTION LAST week at the South London Music Hall was wrestling, in both the catch-as-catch-can and the Græco-Roman style. Carkeek is known as the "King of Wrestlers," and offers a £10 note to any man, professional or amateur, who can stall him off for fifteen minutes. At the above-named hall, on the Surrey side of the Thames, they provide what the public like and crowded houses have been the rule. Early in the week Joe Carroll, the middle-weight champion of Great Britain, called at the offices of THE MIRROR OF LIFE, accompanied by William Klein, heavy-weight champion of Germany, who had his arm in a sling, but said that it would be strong enough, he hoped, to allow him to try for that £10 note. Carkeek also called, and at the request of the wrestlers one of our representatives was sent to judge the bouts. Joe Carroll had three tries and succeeded in capturing two £10 notes, and Carkeek in a manly speech acknowledged his defeat, and made little Joe the following offer to wrestle in the next house, and for every minute over fifteen he was to receive 10s, even if they went on till the next morning. The Manchester lad accepted the defi, and the bout, a magnificent display of the art, lasted 25min 40sec. Various other men tried for that £10 note, but they failed in the attempt, though one, the "Unknown," who contested on Wednesday and again on Friday, showed cleverness and a thorough knowledge of the art, but weight, there being a difference of about two stone and a half, told its tale, and after a splendid set-to, Carkeek won by the aid of the "half-Nelson." The house on Friday witnessed the advent of a good artist, Hal Kendal, who is a perfect imitation of Eugene Stratton, and gained considerable applause. The young gentleman is sure in the near future to rise to a prominent position in music-hall life. Klein intended to reserve himself for Saturday evening, but as no one appeared to meet the champion on Friday evening, he accepted the challenge, and a crowded house witnessed the match between the champions of America and Germany. Details: On Monday Robert Faulkner, of Tyldesley, near Wigan, had two bouts, the first in the catch-as-catch-can and the other in the Græco-Roman style. Faulkner each time put up a bout that pleased those present, losing the first-named in 10min 10sec, and the latter after close upon 14min exertion. Joe Carroll was present, and at the close announced his acceptance of the challenge, the trial to take place the next evening. Carkeek waived his claim to name the style providing Carroll would agree to meet him in the other mode in the next house. They agreed to meet at 7.45 p.m. for the bout the next evening, and the hall was packed almost to overflowing. A round of applause greeted the combatants, and after a few remarks from the champion, the timekeeper, Frank Weeks, manager of the hall, heralded the bout with the magic word "time." Faulkner acted as referee by special request, and we forget to state Mr. Springhall acted in a similar capacity on Monday. After a spirited display the lighter man, Carroll, who was the pet of the assembly, lasted the full time and won, but in the Græco-Roman method Carkeek gained a fall in 13min 9sec, Carroll going very weak through his strenuous efforts a few hours before. On Wednesday the "Unknown" had a try, but though scientific he was over 2st lighter than his rival, who won in 12min 9sec. The bout was under Græco-Roman rules, but seemed a mixture of Lancashire and catch-as-catch can methods. At the next house Faulkner appeared on the scene, but only to find Carkeek again the better man. The right inside click and the half and double Nelson were the principal methods of the artist, and with his great strength he has succeeded in defeating all but Little Joe. The latter is short, but a well-built middle-weight, and asserted his ability when he won "Jolly Jumbo's" championship belt. Again he succeeded in gaining that £10 note, and at the close Carkeek stated he would contest against Carroll on the above-named terms. Packed would not be the word to describe the hall when they entered the arena. Carroll started very cautiously, and over three minutes elapsed before he went to the carpet from the effects of a right inside click. The "King of wrestlers" tried all he knew in the last couple of minutes to gain the award, though he gained slightly, and with the double Nelson nearly ended the business; but making a bridge for fully a minute and a quarter, Little Joe, by a vigorous twist, got upon his stomach out of danger, just as the timekeeper called one minute over time. They continued at the game with varying success, and once it seemed as if Carroll would put Carkeek down, but instead of wasting his strength he wisely had a rest. When 25min 40sec had passed Carroll, who had gone weak, was underneath, and amidst a round of cheering the bout ended. Mr. R. Josephs, assisted by W. Armstrong (the "Cross-buttocker"), acted as referee with the genial manager, Mr. Frank Weeks, clocking. On Friday evening the "Unknown" had another try for the £10, but after a very fine display lost, after contesting 12min 29sec. No one came forward to compete in the second house, till Klein announced his willingness to compete, and his rival promised him not to hurt his hand, even if he lost. It proved a splendid bout, Klein being the heaviest that has tried for the money, and cheer after cheer rang out as a dangerous position was passed in safety. After wrestling for about 12min Carkeek, by the aid of the "half-Nelson," put his rivals shoulders on the mat with his legs dangling in the air off the carpet. Our representative returned Carkeek the winner, but the "Cross-buttocker's" exuberant spirits made him tell them to take the same position on the covering, that would have been a fall as both shoulders touched the ground, but Carkeek, anxious to lose no time, did not insist, and 28sec after re-starting laid Klein low amidst terrific applause. Klein said, the same as Carkeek and our representative, that the first fall was perfectly fair and in order. Steve Morgan in a neat speech presented Carroll with a silver cup in recognition of his grand bouts this week. The trophy was given by Jack Hammond, The Fox, Southwark Bridge Road, to an athlete for the pleasure Carroll had given his friends and himself during the week. "I hope," said Steve, "to have the honour of presenting you with many more during your career." A suitable reply ended a pleasant evening.

THE WINNER OF THE COLQUHOUN Sculls.—On Thursday at Cambridge the Jubilee Race for the Colquhoun Sculls was decided, the competitors left in being O. W. H. Taylor, Third Trinity, and C. M. Steele, of Trinity Hall. It is rather singular that not one First Trinity representative took part in the race, although that club has supplied nearly thirty winners. The weather was fine and mild, but there was a stiff head wind. The race:—Second station, O. W. H. Taylor, Eton and Third Trinity, 12st 6lb, 1; first station, C. M. Steele, Eton and Trinity Hall, 11st 5lb, 2. There was little to choose between the men in the first hundred yards, but Taylor then began to forge ahead, and reached the Ditch in 1min 53sec. He lost the advantage at the Corner; but at Ditton Reach he spurted again, and led passing the Grind. As they approached the Long Reach Steele had again drawn level, and for the rest of the journey the struggle was of a ding-dong character. When 200 yards from home the Third Trinity representative was only just ahead, but in response to loud calls from his friends he worked with renewed vigour, and though his rival sculled gamely Taylor won by 15yds in 8min 25sec. Taylor did some sculling at Eton, and after rowing second for the School Race was successful in 1898. He was in the crew that won the Ladies' Plate at Henley in 1898 and 1899, and then entered at Trinity. He rowed No. 7 in the winning trial eight last December, and in May won the light pairs, and lately formed one of the Third Trinity crew that carried off the coxswainless fours.

SATURDAY FOOTBALL. — VAST crowds witnessed the leading football matches on Saturday, and fully 20,000 persons attended the contest between Aston Villa and Newcastle United, which ended in a draw. The winning clubs in the remaining First Division of the League fixtures were Derby County, Sunderland Sheffield Wednesday, Wolverhampton Wanderers, Everton, Manchester City, and Notts County. In the Rugby County Championship Devonshire beat Cornwall, and Yorkshire effected a draw with Lancashire.

MATT WOODS'S SIXTEENTH CITY of London River and Docks Annual Regatta takes place next Monday, November 26, on the River Lea. The following competitors and well-known scullers were selected by the committee to compete in this grand event: Jack Groves, Mike Carney, Bill Sawyer, Patsy Collins, Harry Burwood, Patsy Cassidy, Walter Burwood, Fred Bryant.

A VERY DESERVING CASE IS THAT of George Clayton, who recently met with a fatal accident. Under the chairmanship of J. Hawkes and the vice of Dick Lucas, well-known sports, a concert will be given in aid of the widow and children on Monday, November 26, at the Masons' Arms, East Street, Walworth. The concert will be given by the White Rovers Musical Society.

SPORTS AT TRINITY COLLEGE, Cambridge.—These sports were concluded on Wednesday with the following results:—300 Yards Handicap (Boating Men).—M. D. V. Holt (10yd start), 1; and Sir H. Crofton (15), 2. Won by 3yd. Time, 34 4-5sec. Long Jump.—P. V. Bevan, 18ft 4½in, 1. 200yd Freshmen's Race.—J. Churchill, 1; and R. W. Barclay, 2. Won by 6yd. Time, 21sec. Half-mile.—P. S. Stephens, 1; and H. W. Lea Wilson, 2. Won by 3yd. Time, 2min 3sec. Putting the Weight.—Sir A. G. Hazlerigg, 32ft 9in, 1; and P. V. Bevan (pen. 1ft), 33ft 8in, 2. 120yd Hurdles.—G. Howard Smith, 1; and P. V. Bevan, 2. Won by a foot. Time, 18½sec. Quarter-mile Strangers' Handicap.—H. W. Workman, Pembroke (8yd start), 1; W. C. C. Cooke, Queen's (10), 2; and E. Pointer, Pembroke (17), 3. Won by 2yd, about the same between second and third. Time, 50 2-5sec. Three Miles Handicap.—S. C. Kemp (350yd start), 1; and J. Dickinson (scratch), 2. Won by 25yd. Time, 15min 50sec.

ATHLETICS AT OXFORD.—THE St. John's College meeting was held on Thursday before a good attendance, with the following results:—100 Yards.—F. J. H. Darton, penalised 2yd, 1; J. W. Adamson, penalised 2yd, 2. Won by a yard. Time, 11 1-5sec. Half-mile Handicap.—T. W. Macrorie, scratch, 1; R. Sanderson, 15yd, 2. Won by thirty yards. Time, 2min 6 1-5sec. Long Jump.—V. Cliff, 20ft, 1; F. J. H. Darton, penalised 18in, 20ft 2in, 2. 150 Yards Handicap.—Final heat: F. J. H. Darton, scratch, 1; G. Geckie, 8yd, 2. Won by three yards. Time, 16 1-5sec. Quarter-Mile.—T. J. Clough, penalised 10yd, 1; M. Bates, penalised 10yd, 2. Won by ten yards. Time, 55 1-5sec. Hurdles.—F. J. H. Darton, penalised 10yd, 1; V. Cliff, 2. Won by a yard. Time, 20 1-5sec. High Jump.—V. Cliff, 5ft 3in, 1. One Mile.—T. W. Macrorie, 1; C. M. Lloyd, penalised 10yd, 2. Won by twelve yards. Time, 5min 0 3-5sec. Putting the Weight.—J. W. F. Crawford, 30ft 4½in, 1. Two Miles.—C. M. Lloyd, 1; A. Hodges, 2. Won by twenty-five yards. Time, 11min 16 1-5sec. The Strangers' Hurdle Handicap fell through owing to insufficient entries.

A NOVEL RACE.—A NOVEL RACE took place on Wednesday afternoon on the Pontefract road, about eight miles outside Leeds, when a well-known Leeds sportsman and athlete backed himself to give Mr. J. Allerton's pony 10 yards start in 100 yards, for £10 a-side. Naturally the biped got best away, but once on his legs Allerton's pony, a merry little thing under 11½ hands high, drew right away, and won hard held by about fifteen yards. Mr. J. H. Teague was stakeholder and referee, and Mr. D. Molineaux starter.

SPORT AT THE EAST-END.—King's Hall Club re-opened their dancing entertainments last Sunday evening at the well-known resort dedicated to the terpsichorean art. For many seasons this club has added to the enjoyment of its members, and during the winter various forms of amusement take place. Dancing forms one of the principal features of the institution, and the harmony and good-fellowship that ensue are the best proof of the benefit of these clubs. What sport adds more to the enjoyment of its members than dancing? And to witness these grand exponents of the art turning to the strains of the band causes regret among those who cannot do likewise. The grace, beauty, and suppleness of figure that dancers generally have all point to the pastime of the upper and middle classes as beneficial to everybody. A ball was arranged to open the season, and about 200 attended—a very good start—to amuse and enjoy themselves. The following have been selected to see to the interests of the members, both ladies and gentlemen: M. Cohen, A. Kineberg, L. Specterman, J. Vogel, C. Bookbinder, M. Kutner, H. G. Jones, H. Vangilder, M. Heelinger, I. Levy, H. Levy, M. Michaels, S. Marks, J. Grizzard as secretary, and W. Theis as M.C. Everybody enjoyed the opening entertainment, and expressed the hope that another ball would shortly take place. Flaum's quadrille band was in attendance and played many pleasing selections during the evening.

WEIGHT-LIFTING.—J. CARR WOULD advise Sale and Bibby to consult an oculist, as his challenge was to lads his own age, eighteen years. Bibby being the acknowledged amateur champion of Liverpool, J. C. will be pleased to meet him in the following feats if the Liverpool Weight-lifting Club will give the desired gold medal. Right and left hand straight press, two-handed press, holding weights out from body, right and left hand, lifting from floor above head with right and left little fingers. These feats need sheer strength, not trickery. J. Carr is sorry to inform Jones that his weight is considerably over 130lb, but fails to see why weight should make any difference.

WEDDING AT LIMEHOUSE TOWN Hall.—As if by the wave of a magician's wand the above noted hall was transformed last Wednesday into an abode of flowers that reminded one of the garden of England on a summer's day. The festivities that took place were in connection with the marriage of Miss Bagel and Mr. S. H. Blosom. Their many friends freely responded to the invitation and attended in large numbers. The bride wore the usual white silk dress, richly decorated and resplendent with jewels, and at the holy place in Duke Street the ceremony took place, the Rev. A. E. Gordon officiating. The catering was perfect, and under the direction of M. Cohen, 10b, Buxton Street, every detail was carried out in perfect order. The table before dinner looked a mass of flowers, ferns that must have cost a small fortune, and silver plate. The menu comprised dainties, both in and out of season, and every choice brand of wine could be had for the asking. Cohen must be commended on the more than excellent arrangements and the large staff of waiters, who did their duty thoroughly. After dinner the younger generation enjoyed themselves with the mazy waltz, the stately quadrille, the schottische, and all the various sets that Englishmen dance, and when hot and tired the Neopolitan ices cooled the heated brow. At the close of proceedings (early in the morning) Cohen was thanked on behalf of those present for the admirable way he conducted everything, and replied in a neat speech. Flaum's celebrated orchestra played many selections during the night, and it was not till the early hours that the party broke up.

M. O'NEILL DEFEATS H. WATKINS. —On the Markets Field, Limerick, on Saturday, M. O'Neill, of Adare, the champion long-distance runner of Ireland, ran H. Watkins, long-distance champion of the world, a three miles race for £50. O'Neill made the running for the first couple of laps, when Watkins went to the front, a place he held to the last lap, when the Adare man went again ahead, and won easily by some yards. Time, 15min 19sec.

AMERICAN JOCKEYS LEAVE France for the States.—Cash Sloan and Pat Freeman, the American jockeys, left France by La Lorainne en route for New York. Amongst those present to see them off and wish them God speed were Fred Boon, Mr. Benson, Cosmopolitan Bar, Paris Toledo Grand Hotel, George Woodhouse, trainer; Mr. Benoist, of St. Louis; and Mr. Tomkins, St. Louis.

THE GREAT CLOG-DANCING CONtest for the Championship of the North of England.—To dance the best of ten steps and shuffle. First prize, massive silver cup; second prize, gold centre solid silver medal; third prize, solid silver medal; consolation prize, solid silver medal. (Entrance free.) There will be five independent judges. Names of competitors to be sent to Mr. Jack Doyle (retired champion), Aberdeen Arms, North Shields.

WRESTLING — JOE CARROLL, OF Manchester, is open to wrestle any man in the world in the catch-as-catch-can style for £50 or £100 a-side. To contest at from 10st 12lb to 11st 6lb for the best purse offered and the above-named stake. Carroll bars nobody, and an answer, accompanied by a deposit, to THE MIRROR OF LIFE, will be immediately attended to.

WRESTLING. — PROFESSOR William Klein, the famous German middle-weight wrestler, a short time ago, while wrestling with a young bear, sustained an injury to his hand. He had a bout last Friday evening with Jack Carkeek, but owing to his being anything but fit, was beaten just before the call of time. He will again tackle Carkeek as soon as his hand is better.

MOUTH-ORGAN CHAMPIONSHIP.—We have received the following from one of the players—Egerton Lewis: "Please excuse me writing of a mistake in your valuable paper concerning mouth-organ match at Pontypridd Empire. The right agreement is that we play at above Empire on November 23, 1900, for £10 a-side, the best of three tunes each. That the orchestral conductor to be the principal. Both to play without the piano. £5 a-side in your hands now, the other £5 a-side to be down before we play on November 23."

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EVENTS TO COME.

THE following contests will take place during November and December:—

NOVEMBER 22.—At the National Sporting Club, three o'clock p.m., 9st Competition, preliminary heats.

NOVEMBER 22.—At the Drill Hall, High Street, Camden Town: The Seventh Amateur Boxing Competitions of the 17th Middlesex Rifles School of Arms.

NOVEMBER 22—17th Middlesex Volunteers' Competitions, Drill Hall, Camden Town.

NOVEMBER 22.—At Wonderland Charley Pendley's 10st 4lb Competition.

NOVEMBER 23—At the Stalybridge Gymnastic Club, W. Johnson (black), of Ardwick, and Harry Smith, of Birmingham, twenty rounds, £100; other contests and a 9st 4lb competition.

NOVEMBER 24—Joe Smith's Boxing Tournament, Wonderland, Whitechapel

NOVEMBER 24.—At the National Sporting Club, three o'clock p.m., 9st Competition, preliminary heats.

NOVEMBER 26.—At the National Sporting Club, Harry Mansfield v. Harry Chamberlain, fifteen rounds; semi-finals and finals of a 9st Novices' Competition; and other boxing.

NOVEMBER 27—Amateur Competitions, Polytechnic Institute, 309, Regent Street, W.

NOVEMBER 27.—Opening Night, North London Boxing Club.

NOVEMBER 27.—Competitions at the Mafeking Gymnasium, Leicester.

NOVEMBER 27.—8st 8lb Novices' Competition, Borough of Marylebone Boxing Club, Tottenham.

NOVEMBER 27.—At the Polytechnic Boxing Club, Regent Street, W.: Third Annual Competitions, open to amateurs.

NOVEMBER 28—Joe Craig v. Jack Quinn, at the Albert Boxing Club, Commercial Court, Belfast, for the Middle-Weight Championship of Ulster, and a purse of £20, put up by Mr. Tom Boyce.

NOVEMBER 29.—Nineteenth Annual Display of the Belsize Boxing Club, Eyre Arms Assembly Rooms, St. John's Wood.

NOVEMBER 30—At Corlette's Gymnasium, 123, Princess Street, Manchester, J. Troy, of Manchester, v. A. Avery of Salford, ten rounds, at 8st 4lb; Geo. Dingle, of Liverpool, v. Martin Hogan, of Manchester, at 9st 6lb, ten rounds; 9st 6lb competition, exhibition boxing, &c.

DECEMBER 10—"Sailor" Richardson and "Spike" Robson, at the Standard Theatre, Gateshead.

DECEMBER 13.—Wilson Brown's boxing entertainment at the Lecture Hall, Deptford.

BOXING AT THE NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB. THURSDAY MATINEE.

A BANTAM-WEIGHT COMPETITION. FIRST SERIES.

BANTAMS APPEAR TO BE AS PLENTIful as blackberries during the present season. A big boxer now is a rarity, while bantams are as much in evidence as flies during a warm summer. No less than sixty-four of these boxing minnows put down their monikers to contest. Many were called, but less were chosen. Overweight and fits of funk at the last moment were responsible for the original sixty-four entrants dwindling down to thirty-two. Thirty-two contestants who go the whole journey is no despicable number, but as many went down before the finish it left room for another dish on the Saturday and to spare. The weight was 8st 4lb, but owing to the disparity in the size of some of the contestants there must have been some latitude shown by the clerk of the scales. Although these lads are denominated novices, many are in reality bad pros., who are considered by the powers that be little better than novices, but "Ginger" Mallett, one of the contestants, had fought three draws and one win with "Ginger" Owen. Short and sweet was the first encounter, Surgy v. Edwards. This contest hardly entered the second round when Surgy held out his hand. Huggins v. Staples.—This bout went the full length, though as far as interest was concerned it might have ended in the first round. Huggins won. F. Smith beat George Davy in one round. Bert French beat Jack Wright almost before the spectators realised the men had struck a blow. Bob Burgess, a tall lad, who looked as if he had slipped into the competition without scaling, beat a much smaller opponent in Jack Hughes. George Rolfe had the best of the exchanges, and beat George Griffin. Bert Hayes easily defeated Bill Turvey. J. Range defeated R. Cripps; this bout being stopped in the second round. Powell was no match for Tommy Mallett, going down in the second round. There appeared to be two Richmonds in the same field, viz., Johnny Hughes, of Bloomsbury, and Jack Hughes, of Bloomsbury. Jack has previously been defeated, Johnny was more fortunate, defeating a big 8st 4lb man in W. Luck in the first round. Eastwood made Cartwright hold out his hand in token of surrender in the second round. Another bout which ended in the second round, Gregory v. Kent. The latter sought the boards from a blow on the chest, and kept there. W. Perry, a big bantam, met G. Smith, much to the latter's disadvantage, Perry winning right through. There were several Smiths in evidence. Steve Smith was beaten by Jem Wheeler, and Joe Smith beat Jem Lawford before half the first round had terminated. The first series of this competition was brought to an end by Tom Bass defeating C. Fowler.

Saturday's matinée saw an increased attendance of members, friends, and visitors to witness the second stage of the above. Johnny Hughes, of Bloomsbury, must be congratulated on his novitiate. Johnny distinguished himself by defeating "Ginger" Mallett, Mallett at one of Con Donovan's shows having defeated another "Ginger," anything but a novice, after two draws at Lambeth School-at-Arms. Bert Edwards, of Marylebone, beat G. Higgins, of Stepney, after a good bout. Bert French, of Somers Town, beat Fred Smith, of Bermondsey, Smith being knocked out in the second round. J. Hayes, of Bethnal Green, beat George Rolfe, of Clerkenwell, but not until another round had been ordered by the referee, the judges disagreeing. Bob Burgess, of Finsbury Park, beat T. Range, of Marylebone; Range having slogged himself out retired in the third round. The bout of the afternoon was between Johnny Hughes and "Ginger" Mallett. The latter has for some time been acting as potboy to Steve Morgan, of the Borough, so was not in the best of shape. Condition, however, won in the shape of the Bloomsbury lad after a fine bout. Gregory, of King's Cross, was no match for Eastwood, of Sydenham, Gregory giving in shortly after the start. J. Wheeler, of Bermondsey, who is brother to the Army champion, scored well with W. Parry, of Hoxton, and secured the verdict. T. Bass, of Soho, won comfortably from J. Smith, of Clerkenwell. Both lads triers.

G. EASTWOOD WINS THE COMPETITION.

BILLY SMITH DEFEATS BILL FIELDER.

THE WINNER.

WITH A BANTAM-WEIGHT NOVICES' Competition left over from the previous Saturday, several trials, and an international contest between a couple of feather-weights in the persons of Bill Fielder, of London, and Billy Smith, of New York, a more than ordinary amount of interest was created, and when the bell announced the opening the club was found to be well filled. The chief item was a failure. The American came into the ring considerably over-weight, and Fielder would not face the music—turned it up in the second round. But what was lacking in this contest was amply made up for in the novices' competition, where all tried hard, and some rattling bouts resulted. The officials were: Mr. J. H. Douglas, referee; Mr. Eugene Corri, timekeeper; Messrs. Tom Scott and H. Hall Say judges for the competitions, and Mr. A. F. Bettinson M.C. Details:—

8ST 4LB NOVICES' COMPETITION.

THIRD ROUND.

"BOSS" EDWARDS beat JOHNNY HUGHES.
(Marylebone) (Bloomsbury).

Edwards much taller and stronger, had all the best of the first round, Hughes went better in the second round, but in the third Edwards again scored and won.

JACK HAYES beat BOB BURGESS
(Bethnal Green) (Holloway).

Burgess, a big lad for his weight, held his own in the first round. He scored a bit more than his opponent in the second, but fell away in the third, and Hayes gained the award after the judges had disagreed.

JEM WHEELER beat TOM BASS
(Bermondsey) (Soho).

Wheeler won an easy bout, his opponent going down twice. The referee stopped the contest and gave it to Wheeler.

GEORGE EASTWOOD beat BERT FRENCH
(Sydenham) (Somers Town).

Eastwood carried too many guns for his opponent, and the latter went to his seat in trouble, and gave in.

SEMI-FINALS.

"BOSS" EDWARDS beat JACK HAYES.

Edwards played for his opponent's ribs, and had the best of the round. Edwards's two-handed work was better in the second meeting, and although Hayes put up a good even show, Edwards won with a trifle to spare.

GEORGE EASTWOOD beat JEM WHEELER.

For three rounds the pair made a stiff fight for honours, and on the appeal to the referee, after the judges had disagreed, they went an extra round, which ended in favour of Eastwood.

FINAL.

EASTWOOD beat EDWARDS.

Eastwood's determined attitude and heavy hitting kept Edwards on the go, and although the latter tried hard in the second round Edwards limped as if in pain, but stayed through to lose on points to a cleverer lad in Eastwood.

FIFTEEN ROUNDS INTERNATIONAL CONTEST.

BILLY SMITH (New York) beat BILL FIELDER (London).

Smith entered the ring first, having George Slark, Arthur Westley, and Arthur Gutteridge to assist him; Fielder came along with his brothers Joe and Alf, with Harry Williams, as his seconds. When they came to the centre it was at once seen that Smith had all the advantages, being taller and heavier by pounds. Fielder led off for the body, and they mixed it, both slipping to the floor. After reaching his opponent's dial Fielder again went down. On rising he tried the pivot blow, which is unfair, and when tackled dropped. He appeared weak, and made use of the ring. At close quarters he went down, which brought forth a caution. Smith bustled him about. In the second round Smith went quickly after his man, who, after receiving a couple of hits, declined the contest, and finding the floor remained down to be counted out, after a poor display.

BOXING AT THE LECTURE HALL, Deptford.—On Thursday evening another of those shows for which Deptford is now getting famous took place. There was nothing more to recount in the way of novelty except the fact that Young Condon, the son of that old fistic warrior, Pat Condon, made his début in a three rounds sparring bout with Young Raso, of Deptford, and performed very creditably. There were four six-round contests, the first of which was won by that improving boxer, Jem Kenrick, of Hackney, against a famous little boxer, Alf Rosser. "Darkey" Lee; of Bermondsey, and George Kirby, of Rotherhithe, went the whole distance, and being the best, Lee received the verdict. Two Bermondsey lads, "Ginger" Owen and Jack Regan, performed very creditably, Owen receiving the verdict. Jack Williams, of Mile End, beat Patsy Roache, of Deptford. There was very little in this, Williams winning on points.

HARRY CHAMBERLAIN, OF BOW, writes to say he is having the assistance of Ben Clark and Charley Ives in his training for his match with Harry Mansfield, the feather-weight champion of the West of England, and says he is 2lb under weight, and feels exceedingly well. He also expects to give a better account of himself than he did in his last match at headquarters. Wishing for the success of your paper, what it really deserves.

HARRY SMITH TO ALF LEEPER. — Harry Smith, of London, who is travelling through Yorkshire with Frank Gess, would like to box Alf Leeper or Tom Ganley or Fred Fairchild. Failing a match with either of these, will box any one in the North of England at 8st if Mr. Andrew Wood or Mr. Carter, of the West Hartlepool Club, will give a purse.

BOXING AT WEST HARTLEPOOL GYMNASIUM.

THE COMMITTEE OF THE GYM. nasium being desirous of giving the minor bantams (as regards weight), 6st 12lb, a show, have decided to offer a sterling silver belt for competition for four of the best lads in England, in addition to a purse of £30. The following entries from a big list have been selected:—Capstick, of South Shields; H. Kennedy, of Sunderland; McLeavy, of Manchester; and "Dummy" Forest, of London. The conditions are ten rounds the heats and twelve rounds the final. The competition to take place on Saturday, November 24, and Monday, November 26, weigh in at two o'clock on the Saturday. THE MIRROR OF LIFE appoints referee.

BOXING AT BOB HABBIJAM'S.—"Never eat tripe on a Friday" used to be the burden of a popular lay; but Bob Habbijam despises this injunction. He eats tripe, and he also has his boxing shows on a Friday, despising old traditions that Friday is an unlucky day; but, then, Habbijam is not a Christian name. Bob once upon a time asked a pedigree merchant to find out whence came the name of Habbijam, and this pedigree merchant, after much research, found out that it was the name of one sect of the lost Jewish tribe. Therefore, Habbijam, being neither Jew nor Gentile, eats pork when he likes, meat on a Friday, and conducts his boxing matches on a Friday. We note the timekeeper for this show was Teddy Granfield. Teddy was confined to his bed for weeks after the accident at Slough to the racing train. Teddy says a cool thou. would not pay him for the pain he endured and the loss of biz.; but hating law proceedings he took the company's offer of £300, which, when he had settled with his lawyer and his doctor, did not leave the little fellow enough to buy the Hotel Cecil. The first six rounds was between two fourth raters, Bill Baker, of Battersea, and Tom Phillips, of 'tother side of the water. Baker is bad but Phillips is a bit badder. They both gave quite a bowl of punch for the money, but Baker punched hardest and won. Boxers are fond of *noms de guerre*, and Curley has taken for his new monniker O'Gorman. Curley cried O! several times during his six rounds contest with Bert North, of Clare Market. The latter should have had the verdict, but in consequence of the hiding the O'Gorman took, the referee, not wishing to tarnish his new name with a defeat, made the contest a draw. In an eight rounds contest Bill Wray, of St. James's, and Johnny Hughes, of Bloomsbury, did not ladle the punch out sufficiently strong. So Habbijam cried "Come out of that ring" which they did, and went home rapless. In a six rounds contest between Curtis and Curley, of Paddington, first one and then the other had the advantage, Curley eventually getting the verdict. A four rounds trial between Buck Shine and Sparrow, of Scarborough, nearly proved a knock-out to the latter, Buck Shine knowing too much of the biz. D. Burton, the ex-amateur, who won the feather-weight competition for novices at the N.S.C., met a different kind of article in Bill Stonelake in their six rounds contest, the latter winning in the fourth round.

BOXING AT THE NEW ADELPHI Club.—Izzy Abrahams is to be complimented. Ten years ago Izzy offered the biggest purse for the Slavin v. Joe McAuliffe contest, and now he has offered (providing his committee sanction the offer) a big sum for the McGovern v. Ben Jordan match. Izzy caters for the early closing members of the Strand and its vicinity, and on Thursday last the little boxing hall was pretty well filled. There were three six rounds contests and two eight rounds contests. In the six rounds contests Tom Oulds beat Jem Sweeney. Sweeney was more effective in punching the air than his opponent; both boxers were very erratic. What work Sweeney did came too late, that must have been the opinion of the referee; for in the last rounds Sweeney woke up, but apparently to no purpose. Albert Price beat "Tuzzy" Winters. Punch for punch was the order of this contest. "The Noble Art of Self Defence" was quite disregarded. Plenty of blood letting delighted the spectators, Price getting the verdict. Harry Ashley is one of the most delicate looking boxers in the arena, but he won with an opponent euphemistically called "Buck Shine." Ashley's record must have won him this contest, for there was little in it—what little there was in favour of Shine. Eight Rounds Contest: The meeting between Bill Male and "Sunny" Wellings ended in the third round, "Sunny" having hurt his arm in a rally. The second Eight Rounds Contest was between Harry Ruddy and Arthur Pereira. The boxer with the Italian name was never in it with Ruddy. Beaten all over the ring in the various rounds the referee stopped the contest in the sixth round.

I, "SAL" FOSTER, LATE ROYAL Navy, will box "Daisy" Judge, R.M.L.I., at 8st, eight or ten rounds, for a side bet of £10 and the best purse given by any club in Leeds, Sheffield, or London on H.M.S. Undaunted landing in England.

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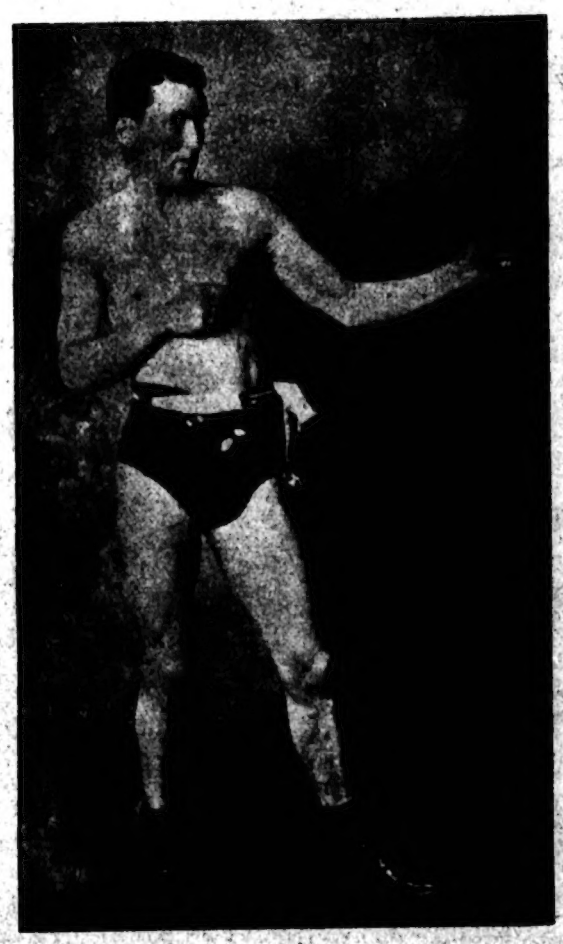

ED. FITZGERALD,

Of Australia, Matched to Box Jabez White, of Birmingham, at the National Sporting Club, January 26, 1901.

Dick Smith. Patsey Griffiths.
Shakey Nathan. Tom King.

TOM KING,

With his Supporters, Shakey Nathan, Dick Smith, and Trainer, Patsey Griffiths.

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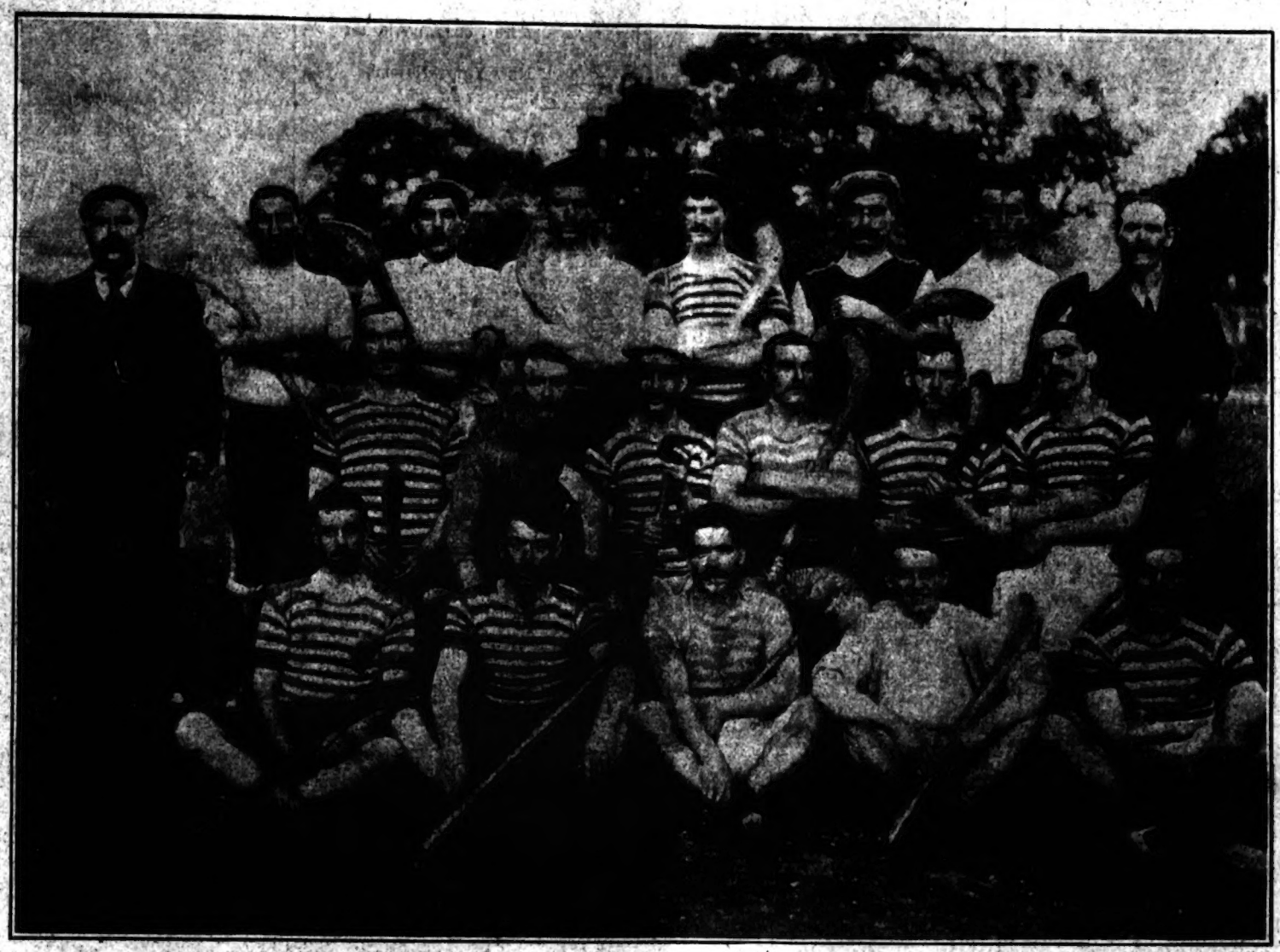

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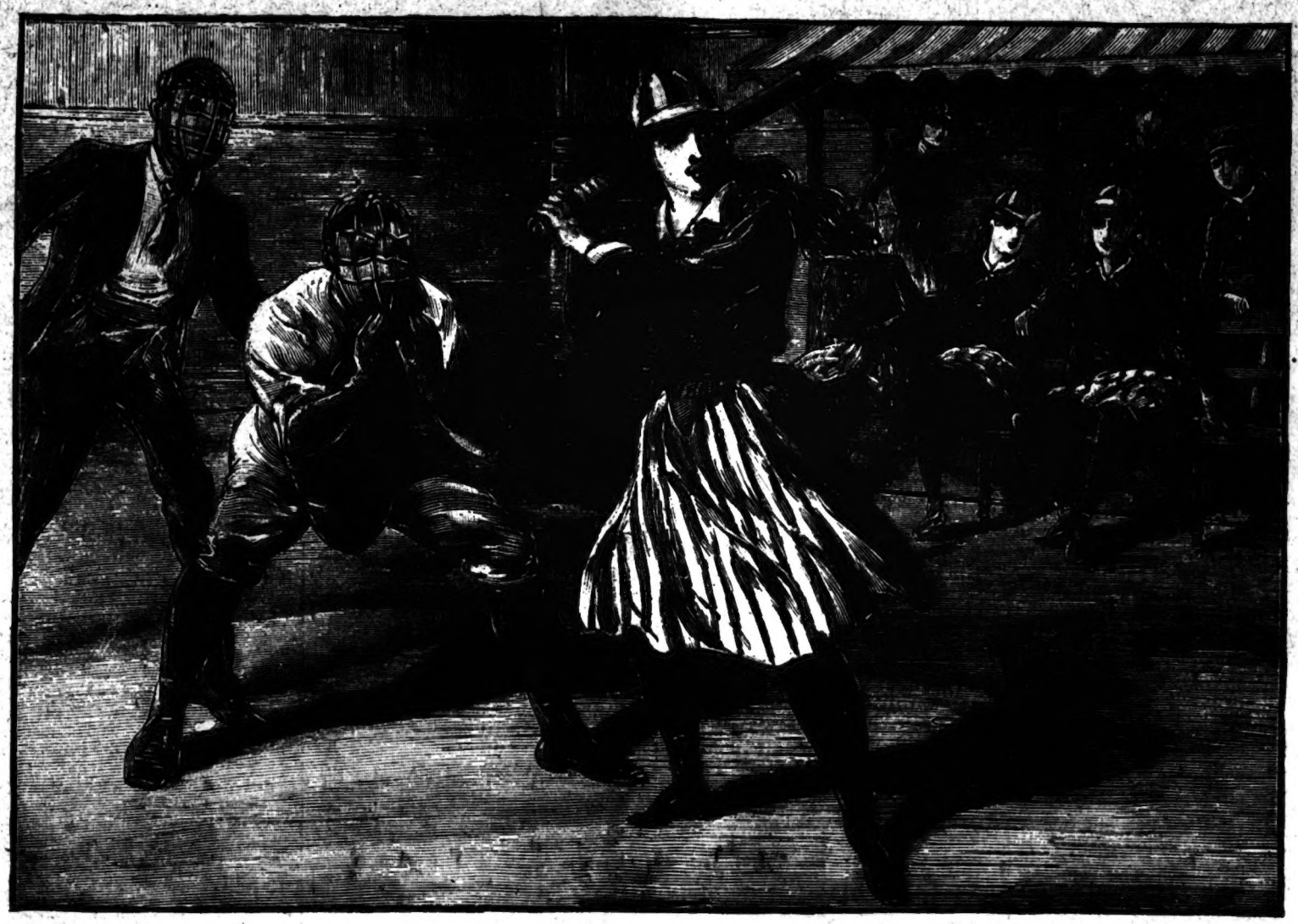
THE MEMBERS OF THE ROBERT EMMETT HURLING CLUB.



THE NATIONAL GAME OF OUR AMERICAN COUSINS.

Fair Girls Become Expert Base-Ball Players.

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TERRY McGOVERN VERSUS BEN JORDAN.

NEGOTIATIONS ARE NOW PEND-ing between Sam Harris, manager of Terry McGovern, and THE MIRROR OF LIFE representative in New York, acting for the National Sporting Club. McGovern is desirous of visiting England in the spring, and is willing to box Jordan at the National Sporting Club *only* on Derby week, providing suitable inducements and a few minor details can be arranged. We submitted to Mr. Bettinson yesterday the correspondence between Mr. Harris, McGovern's manager, and our New York representative. We shall be able shortly to inform our readers when McGovern will box Jordan.

THE LEEDS AND COUNTY Athletic Club.—A ten rounds contest took place between P. Perkins, the champion of South Wales, and Stewart, of Glasgow, for £10 a-side and a £10 purse given by Professor Moore; a three rounds exhibition between C. Arrowsmith, of Walsall, and Joe Elms (coloured), of America; an eight rounds contest between Naylor, of Leeds, and Dolan, of Leeds, for a £5 purse given by Mr. Moore; a three rounds exhibition between "Cockney" Cohen, of Leeds, and Foster, ex-amateur champion Royal Navy; a ten rounds contest between Egan, of Leeds, and Clarke, of Hunslet. When all was in readiness the first to take the ring was C. Arrowsmith and Elms, who boxed four splendid rounds, in which Arrowsmith exhibited some splendid science, also some grand feet and headwork, which gained for him great applause. Then came the eight rounds contest between Naylor and Dolan. This would have been a grand fight but for Dolan fouling his man twice, in which case the referee awarded the contest to Naylor. After this came the chief item of the night, the ten rounds contest with Perkins and Stewart. Both men looked in the pink of perfection as they entered the ring, Perkins being the favourite at 6 to 2. The contest was a very even one throughout, both men struggling hard to gain the victory, but after going the said ten rounds the referee's verdict was a draw, which delighted everyone, for had he have done otherwise it would have been unfair to both boxers. The next item was an exhibition between "Cock" and Foster, who boxed three splendid rounds, which fairly brought down the house. Cohen is undoubtedly a coming champion at his weight. The next couple to take the ring was Egan and Clarke. This contest was of a very unscientific nature, both men going it hammer and tongs for all they were worth, which caused a great deal of laughter, but, however, both went the ten rounds, Egan winning on points only. After this contest Professor Moore thanked the spectators most heartily for their kind patronage on his first night, for never has the above club held such a large number of people who were highly satisfied with the night's entertainment. A competition for 7st 6lb men, give 2lb, open for lads in the North of England, £10 prize money. Heats six rounds; finals ten rounds. Competition: 8st 6lb, give 2lb, open for lads in the North of England, £10 prize money. Entries to be made to Professor Moore, Leeds County Athletic Club. Entrance fee, 10s., to be returned on entering the ring on Monday, December 10, and following days. Heats six rounds; final ten rounds.

THE LEEDS AND COUNTY A.C., Harrison Street.—There was a large gathering of theatrical and music-hall artists at this establishment in the early hours of last Saturday morning, when Professor Moore put forth a very attractive programme. The leading event was a contest between Jem Long, of Leeds, and Tim Sullivan, of London, who were matched to box eight rounds of two minutes' duration for £10 a-side and a purse. Long was seconded by J. Stewart, of Glasgow, G. Barrett and G. Foster, of Leeds, whilst in Sullivan's corner were P. Sheedy, of London, Joe Brown, of Leeds, and H. Brodigan, of Manchester. The first round was a very good one, but all in favour of Long, Sullivan being down several times, and he was very weak when the gong sounded. Long crowded a lot of work into the opening of the second round, giving his man no rest whatever. As a result Sullivan was soon hopelessly beaten, and was counted out when one minute had expired. There were several good exhibition bouts by good lads. Timekeeper, W. G. Foster, of Leeds; referee, H. Thompson, light-weight boxer of Leeds. One of the hardest fought battles ever seen in Leeds took place last Monday week, at the Leeds and County Athletic Club, which was crowded from floor to ceiling. The contestants were Nathan Soloman and James Goulding, both of Leeds, who met to box twenty rounds, for £10 a-side and a £10 purse, Soloman coming at catch weight, and Goulding being restricted to 8st 6lb. Soloman was seconded by Sam Parker, G. Barrett and R. Soloman (all of Leeds); and Goulding by Bob Ryan, Dave Foster, W. Farrer, and J. Long (all of whom hailed from Leeds). T. Gamble (of Manchester) was referee, and J. H. Teague (Leeds) timekeeper. From the very outset the contest was of a most scrambling character, both throwing science to the winds, and both working for the knock-out. The referee's time was fully employed in breaking the men asunder. The first round was pretty even, but in the second Soloman had his man down several times. Neither shirked the work, both taking a lot of punishment. Though both were very tired, Soloman seemed to get the upper hand of his man, and towards the close of the fifteenth round Goulding was completely exhausted, and unable to continue. Minor contests and exhibition boxing filled up the evening.

BELFAST BOXING NOTES.—OWING to extensive alterations at the Albert Boxing Club, Commercial Court, Belfast, the season has been rather late starting, but is now in full swing, the above popular little hall being crowded to excess every Thursday and Saturday night. On Saturday week one of the most determined fights that has ever taken place in Belfast was that between Bob Lyttle and Dixey O'Neill, the latter winning after twelve very hard rounds had been fought, but we understand that the loser is not satisfied, and is going to have another bid for victory. Bob Brown and Charlie O'Hara also fought three very hard rounds, but Brown was too big and strong for his opponent, who fought very gamely to the finish. On Thursday night last there was a record attendance to witness the competition for the beautiful gold and silver medal presented by Mr. Sam Saunders, a well-known bookie, the winner turning up in little Billy Lindsay, who was least fancied of the lot. Jem Boyce and Jack M'Greery were next announced to box eight rounds for a small purse, but M'Greery chucked it in the second round. On Friday afternoon a select crowd of the sporting fraternity assembled at Tom Boyce's to witness the "mill" between Jack Lynch and William Bell, who a short time since had a "go" at each other in the old style, with honours even, but with the "mufflers" on Bell hadn't an earthly, as Lynch simply made a chopping block of him, putting him asleep in one round. Mr. Tom Boyce is anxious to hear from good lads who are willing to box. Applications addressed to the Albert Boxing Club, Commercial Court, Belfast, will at once be attended to.

Jack Delaney (Bradford) v. Jem Fitzpatrick (Belfast).—This event took place on Tuesday night week in Tom Smyth's Boxing Academy, Belfast. There was a very poor attendance of the general public, and as the lads were boxing for the gate receipts there would have been no contest had it not been for a few good local sports present, who at once subscribed the necessary material for a fight, but we are sorry to say that the affair ended in a very unsatisfactory manner, the referee disqualifying the visitor in the third round for clinching, a decision which gave evident dissatisfaction to all present, as Delaney seemed to have the fight well in hand at the time. As the sporting public of Belfast would like to see the lads meet again, Mr. Tom Boyce, Albert Boxing Club, Belfast, has offered to put up a purse for them, and as both are willing it only remains for a date to be fixed.

I, JACK STEWART, OF GLASGOW, will box any lad in Yorkshire at catch-weight, no one barred, at the club offering the best purse. All letters to be addressed to W. G. Foster, 61, Cameron Street, Leeds.

NOTICE TO BOXERS.—I, W. G. Foster, 61, Cameron Street, Leeds, would be pleased to hear from good lads who are in want of good purses on behalf of Prof. Moore, Leeds County A.C., Harrison Street.

BOB HARTNALL WOULD BE pleased to box Jem Harper, of Bloomsbury, at 9st 4lb, if any boxing promoter or club will give a purse. N.S.C. preferred.

TED DALY, OF BARNSBURY, WOULD like to box Young Pearson (the "Scotch Laddie") ten or twelve rounds for Messrs. Black and Mumford's purse. Ted Daly will have £5 on the result.

DICK CURTIS, OF NEW CROSS, will be pleased to box Bert North, of Clare Market, ten or fifteen rounds, if Bob Habbijam or any other gentleman or club will give a purse.

JEM LONG, OF LEEDS, WILL BOX R. Soloman, of Leeds, the best of twenty rounds, at 9st, for £10 or £25 a-side. J. L. hopes Soloman will reply at once through this paper if he means business.

W. FOSTER (LATE ROYAL NAVY), noticing how Private J. Judge, R.M.L.I., of H.M.S. Undaunted, was so anxious to fight him (W. F.) when in China, but could not come to any terms, W. F. will box him at 8st, give or take 2lb, for £10 a-side, at any club in London, Sheffield, or Leeds, who offer the best purse, any time he likes.

BILL LAWS WOULD LIKE TO BOX Alf Friend any number of rounds if Harry Williams will provide a suitable purse.

Owing to pressure on our space we are compelled to leave over several current items of boxing, which will appear next week.

AMERICAN CABLE.

WE HAVE RECEIVED THE FOLLOW-ing cablegram from our American representative:—

NEW YORK, November 17.

THE MIRROR OF LIFE, *London.*

Tom Sharkey is matched to fight Jem Jeffries in June. Terry McGovern defeated "Kid" Broad at Chicago in six rounds.

MARTIN.

CONTESTS AT EDINBURGH.—There was a crowded attendance at the Operetta House, Edinburgh, last Saturday evening, when the events produced some good sport. Details:—9st 4lb Open Competition.—Final Tie: J. Veitch beat G. Horsburgh.—The latter was plucky, but was outclassed. Six Rounds Contests: Bill Gardner (Edinburgh) beat Young Maher (Glasgow).—The local man led all through, and Maher gave up in the fifth round. Willie Baigrie (Edinburgh) beat Sunner Wilson (Newcastle).—Most of the time Wilson was engaged in an effort to keep Baigrie at bay. Gnr. Turner (London) beat Geo. Hogg (Edinburgh).—A close contest after the first round, in which Turner scored a good number of points. Jerry Banks (Edinburgh) beat G. Hill (Edinburgh). H.M.S. Caledonia Championship (catch-weights).—Final Tie: Hyde beat Penfold.—The latter had the balance of points in the first two rounds, but he then weakened, and was beaten after an extra round had been ordered.

CONTEST IN SHEFFIELD.—A contest took place in Sheffield on Monday afternoon with small gloves for a sum of money between H. Turnbull and G. Harper, but the police had got wind of the affair and stopped the proceedings after three rounds had been fought, so the fight was put off for three weeks. Details: Round 1. Both lads set to work in a determined manner, and some good fighting ensued. Matters even. Round 2. Harper forced the pace with the left and nearly ended the matter. Round 3. Both lads showed good judgment and, made a good stand. Harper sent down, took the count, and both sparred cautious till the end of the round, when the "griffin" was given that the police were round, so the crowd dispersed.

CONTEST AT DEPTFORD, MONDAY.—Six Rounds Contest: Ted Lee beat Bill Harmer.—This was very short, as in less than a minute Lee sent his opponent down twice and won. Ten Rounds Contest: Alf Leeper and Tom Oulds.—Leeper had the best of the opening rounds, but then Oulds set a hot pace, and wiped off arrears. From this to the seventh round Oulds did best, as he took the initiative in every round, and held a big lead when they stood up for the eighth round. At the end the decision was a draw. Six Rounds Contest: Charley Robins beat Denny Curran.—This proved a hard-hitting set-to. Curran went down in the third round, and a cry of foul was raised, but they were ordered to keep on. At the close of the fourth round Curran was in a sorry plight, but continued, and at the end Robins gained the decision. Six Rounds Contest: Nat Keyser v. Bill Connelly.—A very hard-hitting bout ended in a draw. 7st 4lb Competition: First Bouts.—George Dunny beat Bill Male, Bill Dickenson beat George Hollings, "Ginger" Owen beat "Buck" Shine, and Harry Laurence beat Lew Bransom. Second Series.—Dickenson beat Dunny. The remainder of the competition was held over.

CHARLIE TUPLIN, OF GRIMSBY, IS willing to box the winner of J. Goulding and Dawson contest last week for the best purse offered and have a side bet on the result, or Dent, of Lincoln, preferred, at 9st 12lb. An answer through THE MIRROR OF LIFE will be attended to.

YOUNG TIDLER, OF BERMONDSEY, would like to box F. Norfield, of Brixton, six or eight rounds if H. Williams will give a purse worth boxing for.

YOUNG TIDLER, OF BERMONDSEY, would like to box T. Sherwin, if H. Williams would give a purse. Coulson or Burke can also have a match.

T. O'NEILL, OF H.M.S. VERNON, will be pleased to box Stoker Doran ten or fifteen rounds, at 10st 4lb, if any gentleman or club will give a purse. An early answer through THE MIRROR OF LIFE will oblige.

FRANK PARRY, LATE OF KILBURN, would like to hear from Jack Hare, of Plaistow, Harry Dally, of Australia, Jack Player, of Stratford, Bill Stone, of Birmingham, and a few old friends from the Thames Iron Works, as he has been laid up thirteen months with an injured knee, and is now in the infirmary waiting to go under an operation. Letters addressed No. 8 Ward, Sunderland Infirmary, will find him.

TOM WATSON, OF GLASGOW, IS open to box Louis Stringer, of Edinburgh, late of Leeds, the best of twelve or fifteen rounds if Harry Myers or any gentleman in Edinburgh will give a purse at 8st.

JOE ROSS WOULD LIKE TO BOX Andrew Wood, of Gateshead, the best of twenty rounds at 8st 4lb for Tommy Lowes' purse.

AMATEUR COMPETITIONS AT THE Columbia B.C.—This well-known boxing establishment has shifted its quarters to the Tee-To-Tum, Shoreditch, where a spacious hall is to be found. The resort holds about the same number of people, but they had a gallery before, here that is absent. A very large hall, with stage seats for about 150, with seating accommodation for about 800 in the hall, will tell anyone what a size it must be. The ring is fixed in the centre, and under the capable management of J. D. Williams and J. Fitzgerald, all present thoroughly enjoyed themselves. J. D. has had a lengthy career as a gentleman boxer, and mounted to the highest rank, gaining the honour of being a sterling good performer. It is not too much to state that the press as well as the public were equally well catered for, and the evening's sport was well worth seeing. Judges—Members of the A.B.A., with Mr. Tom Goodwin an efficient M.C. Details:—8st 6lb Open Novices.—First Series: G. A. Polson (Blenheim B.C.) beat E. R. Curnick (Mildmay A.C.), A. W. Day (unattached) beat G. Delivett (Lansdowne A.C.), W. Collins (Rose and Shamrock) beat A. Thompson (Columbia B.C.), G. E. Harris (Goldsmiths' Institute B.C.) beat C. Goodman (Lynn B.C.), E. Howes (17th North Middlesex Rifles S. of A.) beat J. H. Humphreys (Belsize B.C.), H. Mildwater (Finchley A.C.) beat B. A. Adams (Cestus B.C.), J. Godfrey (Columbia B.C.) beat J. W. Newton (Central Finsbury A.C.). Second Series: Mildwater beat Thompson, Delivett beat Polson, Harris beat Howes, Godfrey a bye. Third Series: Godfrey beat Harris, Delivett beat Mildwater. Final: Godfrey beat Delivett, and won, after a very clever display, with something to spare. 10st Open Novices.—First Series: H. Partridge (Gothic Gym. and Boxing S.) beat R. Burge (Kensington B.C.), A. Wicks (People's Palace B.C.) beat J. Robson (Columbia B.C.), H. Paxman (unattached) beat W. Warren (St. James's B.C.), W. Wightwick (Church Institute B.C.) beat R. Ayton (Lansdowne A.C.), F. C. Callan (Gothic Gym. and Boxing S.) beat J. Phillips (unattached), G. Ansdell (Lynn B.C.) beat A. Ware (unattached). Second Series: Ansdell beat Partridge, Wicks beat Callan, Paxman beat Wightwick. Third Series: Ansdell beat Wicks, Paxman a bye. Final Round: Ansdell at once went after Paxman, and putting him down twice in the first minute, won easily.

"KID" McCOY AT THE N.S.C.—AT the National Sporting Club on Monday evening last "Kid" McCoy, of America, was introduced to the members by Mr. Bettinson, the manager, and received a hearty welcome. McCoy, in reply, said it was six years since he visited the club, but everything looked familiar to him. He intended to stay in England several months and he would like to meet anyone at the National Sporting Club. With regard to his fight with Corbett, he said "I fought as I always have, and that was to win."

PAT COLLINS, OF H.M.S. GOLLING-wood, Bantry, Ireland, writes:—Seeing in your issue of November 7 that F. G. Tappin claims the title of feather-weight champion of the Mediterranean fleet, I beg to deny that statement, as I, Pat Collins, fought Tappin ten rounds for £5 a-side and the title at the limited weight and defeated him on points, so I don't see how he claims that title, as I think I am still the holder.

DAN SULLIVAN WOULD BE pleased to box George Spooney if Joe Smith or any other boxing promoter will give a purse.

PRIVATE HENLEY (LATE ROYAL Fusiliers) would like to box Jem Lawford, of Fulham, six or eight rounds, if Mr. Harry Wright will give a purse.

DICK CURTIS IS OPEN TO BOX TOM Cooper, of Islington, any number of rounds for Bob Habbijam's purse. An answer will be attended to.

BERT ADAMS, OF SPITALFIELDS, will box Bill Hough, of Bermondsey, ten or twenty rounds, if the Goodwin Club will give a purse. "Sailor" Richardson can be accommodated on similar terms.

JOE SCANNELL IS OPEN TO BOX George Butler, of Shadwell, any number of rounds, and will lay £80 to £60 he defeats him at catch-weight.

DAVE MORBIN, LONDON, WILL BOX any lad in the north of England at 8st 2lb, if any gentleman will give a purse, and will guarantee a side stake on the result.

JACK EMBLIN, OF WALWORTH, WILL box Harry Tomlins, of Bermondsey, ten rounds for Mr. Chatman's purse. An early answer will oblige.

JOE GOODWIN WOULD LIKE TO box Jack Christian eight or ten rounds if any boxing promoter will provide a purse. Jem Payne or Bill Radley can be accommodated on similar terms. First come first served.

GEORGE PROCTOR WILL BOX ALF Leeper if the Goodwin Club will provide a purse.

HARRY SLOUGH, FAILING TO GET on a match with "Dido" Vardy, Slough will box any lad in the north of England at 7st 4lb or 7st 6lb.

BOXING AT MANCHESTER.

A GOOD HOUSE WITNESSED SOME capital boxing at Corlette's Gymnasium, 123, Princess Street, Manchester, on Friday, November 16. The proceedings opened with an exhibiton spar of four rounds between Martin Hogan (Hulme) and Tommy Bell (Manchester), both showing good form. The first bout of the 8st 4lb competition, confined to pupils of Prof. Corlette, brought together J. Carmichael and J. Tompkins. After going the limit of four rounds Tompkins was adjudged the winner of a hard fought contest. The second bout brought out T. Cusick and J. Troy, Cusick giving up in the second round. The next item on the programme, a ten rounds contest between A. Avery (Salford) and J. Callaghan (Liverpool), ended rather unexpectedly, Avery beating his man within one round, Callaghan repeatedly dropping to the floor. Bert Smith (London) and Eddie Napper (London) were in the ring next for a three rounds exhibition spar, and came in for prolonged applause, both men making things very lively for each other. The final for the 8st 4lb competition brought together J. Troy and J. Tompkins. Both lads shaped well, Troy having whatever advantage there was in the first round. In the second round Troy put in some stinging blows, and stopped Tompkins with a right punch on the heart. A three rounds exhibition was the next on the cards, between Waterhouse (Miles Platting) and Parker (recently defeated by Johnny Hughes). Holding was the order of the night, both men taking matters very easy. The final contest, a ten rounds contest between George Dingle (Liverpool) and J. Green (Manchester), proved very interesting. Honours were evenly shared in the first round, both men using right and left freely. In the second round Dingle forced matters, and getting Green in distress more than once finally clinched matters with a right on the jaw. Bert Smith was referee, Martin Cusick timekeeper. Green had McLeavey and others in his corner, whilst Berrick and Young Turner looked after Dingle. Eddie Napper and McLeavey announced the events.

HEXHAM HOUSE SALOON, NEWcastle.—Other week-end attractions do not in the least affect the attendances at the Hexham House Saloon, Newcastle, for Mr. James Lowes can always attract crowded attendances to his shows. The spacious hall was filled on Saturday evening last, and with a very appreciative lot of spectators. An excellent beginning to an excellent entertainment was made by J. R. Currie, of Carlisle, and J. Charlton, of Ryton, who, although not the most scientific of boxers, went to work in a style which plainly proved that they were not at play. Jack Thompson's novice and W. Jackson then came together for three rounds and matters were exceedingly merry the time they had the occupation of the ring, and then a scientific set-to was seen between Jack Jones and Jack Tait. These engagements paved the way to a six rounds contest between J. Sharp and R. Hardy, of Newcastle, a couple who each scaled a little over 10st. In the first round Sharp, who was a warm favourite, opened negotiations, but met with a slight return, after which there were numerous half-arm exchanges, and towards the end of the round with a swinging right Hardy sent Sharp to the boards. He was quickly on his feet again, and did some good work before the call of time. In the second round Sharp forced matters, but Hardy kept well at him, and fairly held his own, but in the subsequent four rounds Sharp did all the scoring, but he was not strong enough to put quietus to his opponent's account, Hardy, although game, lacking skill. The winner was seconded by "Spider" Carr and "Darkey" Carpenter, and the loser by R. O. Niell and J. Carpenter. J. Jones was referee and Mr. Lumley timekeeper.

GLENGALL GYMNASIUM.—HARRY Williams, the nephew of "Benny" Williams, proprietor of the above, had a rousing good house on Saturday last, when the following lads contended in competitions and contests: 6st 6lb Competition.—"Pongo" Davenport beat Bob Stanton, Alf Parsons beat W. Hayford, Mat. Wren beat "Aby" Benshaw, Alf Wicks beat Alf. Grimshaw. In the 7st 6lb Open Competition, Charley James beat Bill Watson, Bob Kent beat Sid. Neville, Jack Lamb beat George Howden, Jack McQuillen beat Jem McCarthy. The finals to be decided on Saturday next. Six Rounds Competitions: Charley Smokes (Lambeth) beat Sam Eastow (Walworth).—Smokes took on the job in the absence of Spooney, billed to appear, and just won. Joe Smith, of Walworth, beat Harry Cooper, of Walworth. Both lads went for all they were worth, and when the six rounds ended little separated them. In a four rounds contest between Norfield (of Brixton) and Tidler (of Southwark), a draw was declared.

E. FITZGERALD (OF AUSTRALIA) v. Jabez White.—Jemmy Ryan's protégé, Fitzgerald, has soon found an opponent in Jabez White. On Monday the lads met at the National Sporting Club, where they signed articles to box at 9st 6lb for £200 a-side and the N.S.C. purse, on January 28.

BOXING AT STALYBRIDGE.—THE Stalybridge Gymnastic Club had an entertainment early last week, mainly for the benefit of local patrons, the programme not quite attaining to the high quality that is generally given at the popular establishment. There was a capital attendance, and the proceedings were enjoyable from start to finish. A 7st 2lb competition was in the bill, but it was found that the final bouts could not be got through during the evening, and the management announced that they would be taken on the 23rd inst., when a strong programme is to be added. It was rather unfortunate that the principal event, a ten rounds affair between Owen, of Bradford, and Turner, of Manchester, should have fallen through, as this was looked for rather eagerly, as both are lads of promise. Although they were at one time in the hall Owen could not be discovered when he was required to enter the ring. In a ten rounds contest between E. Gould, of Salford, and Young Clarke, of Manchester, a hot time observed both going at it with a will. The exchanges were fairly even in the first round, and in the second the fighting was so fast and close that Clarke, receiving a hard punch in the stomach, retired. A ten rounds contest at catch-weight between R. Boardman, of Manchester, and T. Plant, of Stalybridge, went the whole of the distance, and was a vigorous tussle. In the earlier stages Plant held his own, but Boardman, after the half-distance had been fought, continued to have the best of matters, and was given the verdict. A couple of local lads engaged in a six rounds contest, but as they did not appear anxious to give their best work the referee ordered them out of the ring. The 7st 2lb competition resulted as follows: M'Leavy (Manchester) beat Gargin (Manchester).—In the fourth round the referee gave the fight to M'Leavy, who administered a considerable amount of punishment. Martin Ford (Manchester) beat Schofield (Manchester).—The last-named was the heavier, but Ford was much the cleverer, and won nicely on points. The officials were: Referee, J. Haggerty; timekeeper, Frank Ridgway; G. Mills judged the contest between Plant and Boardman.

THE NEW GOODWIN CLUB.—THE above club in Kingsland Road was well filled last Wednesday evening, when a capital bill of fare was placed before the members. So severe was the fighting that no less than five bouts failed to go the whole distance. Owing to want of space only brief details can be given. Official referee, Joe Steers (ex-amateur champion), M.C., Charlie Maclaughlin, with Tom Goodwin as an efficient timekeeper. For the competition Messrs. Weston and Steers acted as judges. Details: 8st Competition: Dave Morbin beat F. Corder.—Morbin had the best of the opening round, and in the second knocked his opponent out. Jem Kenrick beat Jem Casey.—A fine fight ensued till Kenrick sent the right on the body, and Casey went down, and as he did not rise within ten seconds his rival won. Jack Guyons beat Jack Player.—A hard battle ensued for about one minute and a quarter, when Guyons sent a half-right hook on the jaw, and his opponent went down with considerable force and was sent to sleep. Semi-final: Guyons beat Morbin.—A fight; Guyons staggering Morbin with a right hook in the opening round, but he lasted the three rounds, and at the close Guyons gained the verdict. Kenrick a bye. Final: Guyons beat Kenrick.—A light start, and a caution was given, and this caused the lads to enliven the proceedings. The second and third rounds were in Guyons's favour, and in the last round the bout was stopped after Kenrick had gone down twice. Four Rounds Trial: Dick Parkes and Tom King.—This proved the bout of the night, Parkes's head work reminding one of "Pedlar," and the audience laughed loudly at King's vain attempts to find it. Parkes's work reminds one of old Jem Kendrick, and at the close the cheering was loud and long. Ten Rounds Contest: "Jumbo" Smith beat Ernie Hunt.—Two short, sturdy young fellows, who though fat made a fight of it. At the first meeting Hunt's eye was put in mourning, but he stuck it and had a little the best of points when sent to sleep in the fifth round. Ten Rounds Contest: "Wag" Ashley beat Bill Wood (Bermondsey).—Ashley was the better boxer, and forcing the exchanges, took the lead. It was a very hard-hitting bout, and Ashley rebounded after every blow, but kept scoring, and at the end won easily. To-night (Wednesday) a special fistic entertainment will take place. Hard blows and plenty of claret flying about will, in all probability, form the nucleus of the boxing.

ANDREW TOKELL, OF JARROW, TO Harry Ware, of London.—Andrew Tokell will be pleased to box Harry Ware best of twenty 3min rounds, 4oz gloves, at 8st 2lb, for the best purse offered, and will have a good side bet. Failing Ware, anyone in England at the weight mentioned above, to box week before Christmas, in London or Newcastle.

TOMMY TODD, STOKER OF H.M.S. Severn, would like to box A. Drummond, of Sheerness Gunnery School, six or eight rounds, to come off at J. T. Hulls, one Saturday night, providing he will give a suitable purse.

TOM DIXON, OF NEWCASTLE, v. ERNIE VEITCH, LONDON.

WHEN THIS MATCH WAS MADE there could be little doubt of the result, and the result has been as we anticipated. The contest lasted sixteen rounds, Dixon winning in the sixteenth round. The betting at the start was 5 to 2 on Dixon. He opened the first round with a light left-hander on the face, and Veitch managed to reach the chest with a light tap with the same hand. Dixon then scored at the stomach, while the London boxer was invariably short with his returns. At the end of the round, which was all in favour of the Newcastle lad, the betting ruled at 3 to 1 on him. Round 2. Veitch led off with a light blow on the face, and Dixon scored with both hands at the head and face. The Northerner had a bit the best of this round, as he did also in the third. His left hand invariably reached Veitch's nose or mouth, and he scored many times on the chest, stomach, and ribs. Round 4. In this meeting Dixon got the measure of his man, and landed some straight and hard left-handers on the nose, mouth, and face. One of these nose-enders sent Veitch staggering back to the ropes, and had it not been for them he must have fallen down. During Rounds 5, 6, and 7, Dixon did all the scoring, driving Veitch all round the ring. At the latter end of the seventh round the Newcastle lad planted a swinging right-hander on his rival's jaw. It was the first swinging hit which had really landed, and done any damage. To the surprise of everyone Veitch rallied well in the eighth round and fought with Dixon, but the Southern boxer's blows lacked force. He was generally met by Dixon's left hand as he came boring in, and Dixon always got the best of the impact. Nothing of any great importance occurred until the twelfth round. Then Dixon set about his man. A left-hander on the nose made him stagger backwards, and before he could recover himself a swinging right-hander on the jaw sent Veitch to the floor. He got up again and went on with the battle, but was badly shaken up by three more raps on the jaw. Dixon seemed to swing on the right place, but he had very little power in his blows. In the thirteenth round Dixon planted a straigh hit on Veitch's nose, following it up with a swinging right-hander. He just missed the point of the Londoner's jaw, and overbalancing himself slipped to his knees. Veitch instantly put out his hand and helped his fallen adversary. The action drew forth rounds of applause. It was indeed a manly action. The fourteenth round went by in the usual fashion. Dixon swung at the face with his left hand, and on the ribs with his right. The fifteenth round, however, saw Veitch again in queer street. In his endeavour to avoid one of Dixon's rushes, Veitch slipped to the floor. Dixon swung a right-hander on to his ribs while his rival was in this position. For this he got a caution, but Veitch very manfully acknowledged that he was to blame for the affair. In this round Veitch planted a bad left-hander on the side of Dixon's head, and getting his man going he rushed him back to the ropes, and did a lot of rapid scoring. This was the only time in the contest that Veitch may be said to have held his own. Round 16, and last. Dixon went straight at his man, and after sending his left flush on to the nose, he swung his right on to the jaw, and Veitch went down in the centre of the ring. He was up again in a very few seconds, but got the same dose from both hands, and went to the floor for the second time. On getting to his feet Veitch tried to defend himself, but was sent to the floor again by a hard right-hander on the side of the head. This blow badly dazed him, but he got on his feet in four or five seconds, and put up his hands. Dixon measured his opponent, and meeting him with a terrific right-hander on the side of the chin, knocked his feet from under him. His head struck the floor with a resounding thud. The referee, who was in the ring, made his way to the fallen man with the intention of stopping the battle, but Veitch got on to his feet just as the tenth second had been counted. He could not stand, but pitched forward on to his face, and then the referee declared Dixon the winner.

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BOXING AT EDINBURGH (PORTObello).—An assault-at-arms at the Town Hall, Portobello, the birthplace of Bob Brettle, washeld on November 12 before a crowded house, and turned out to be the best conducted show witnessed in Scotland for many years and a credit to the promoter. Details: Three Rounds Exhibition by King's Midgets (Brothers Dempster).—The cleverest little lads in Scotland, and a credit to "Sandy" King. 8st 4lb Open Competition (gold and silver medals, three entries), First Ties: G. Wilson (Portobello) beat J. Edwards (Edinburgh).—The Edinburgh man gave up in the first round, Wilson being too strong for him. J. Green (Portobello) sparred a bye with Young Myers, of Edinburgh. Final: J. Green beat G. Wilson.—This proved to be a very fast bout, but Wilson gave up in the last round owing to his hand being knocked up. Six Rounds Contest (gold medal): Ike Goodall beat Dave Barratt.—After a hard and plucky scientific fight Barratt had to give in, Goodall proving to be the best lad in the fourth round. Six Rounds Contest (gold medal): Nat Mather (Edinburgh) beat J. Nealson (Musselburgh).—In the third round Nealson gave up, unable to last against the heavier man, though showing the best science. Four Rounds Exhibition (by A. C. McKay, open champion of Scotland, 1899, and "Kid" Gardiner, 8st champion of Scotland).—These boxers gave the best scientific bout of the evening, which well pleased the spectators. Eight Rounds Contest (silver cup): Joe Fairholm (Portobello) beat John Dickson (Niddrie).—In the second round time only saved Fairholm, but coming up fresh at the call of time he boxed strong. Both men gave punch for punch, Fairholm mostly playing for the wind, which won him the fight in the fifth round, Dickson giving up. Mr. David Gordon was referee, Mr. John McGuire, jun., M.C.

SATURDAY EVENING AT WONDERland.—If ever a record attendance was seen at a Saturday evening it was last Saturday, when the house was packed to excess. Under Harry Wright and secretary Harry Jacobs the management was well conducted, and without the slightest noise the entertainment was conducted. Owing to pressure on our space only brief details can be given. Eight Rounds Contests: "Ginger" Elliott beat Jack Cork after a grand battle lasting but a few rounds.—W. Christian beat Young Starlight.—A rapid fight till the third round, when Starlight went to sleep. Six Rounds Bouts: Dave Morbin beat Bill Stonelake.—This proved the bout of the night. It was a very level bout, and in a hard rally in the final round Stonelake was knocked out. Harry Benson and Bill Corbett.—Both fought better than ever, and at the close they could not be separated, and a draw resulted. Bert Adams beat Denny Smith.—The first named is getting well up to championship form, and he ended the bout shortly after it commenced. Harry Fowler beat Mike Casey.—A hard-hitting bout, and Fowler with a solar plexus blow soon ended the affair, which lasted about one minute and a half. Jem Exall beat Archie Wright.—A very scientific bout for four rounds, and then Exall was victorious. Four Rounds Trial: Ted Ware and Alf Barnard.—Lively and entertaining. Three Rounds Exhibition: Young Joe and Alf Langley. Fifteen Rounds Contest: Jem Sweeney beat Alf Leeper.—Sweeney has improved lately, but though having the worst of matters Leeper went on gamely till the eighth round, when the bout ended.

LECTURE HALL, DEPTFORD.—Crowded is the word for the attendance at the above show on Saturday night, when five six rounds contests, an eight rounds contest, and a ten rounds contest was the bill of fare provided. Six Rounds Contests: Ike Moss, though a good lad, could not go the pace with Harry Munro, who earned the referee's decision; Pat Roache made a fine fight with Jack Willis, Pat receiving the verdict. In the battle between Cox and Ballard the affair was a bit of a hurley-burley, Ballard going down in the third round. Tomlins and Eastwood had a good contest, but Tomlin, the stronger boxer, won. "Ginger" Owen, one of the National novices, showed superior form, and beat F. Miles. In an eight rounds contest Denny Curran, after a severe slogging match, managed to beat C. Robbins. A ten rounds contest wound up the proceedings. The combatants were Wood and Gibbs. Wood did nearly all the work, and after a good contest received the verdict.

BARNSBURY B.C. ASKS FOR Terms of Surrender to the A.B.A.—We have received a correspondence from the Barnsbury B.C., too lengthy for insertion, from which we extract the following: "If, however, the A.B.A. will give the same privileges to the B.B.C. as to those of other clubs they will be willing for the club to reconsider their decision and apply for re-admission." After this capitulation, after this hauling down the flag, we have no more to say.

IN ANSWER TO MICK MATHIAS, Frank Payne, Jack Carpenter, George Purser, W. Hayward, or Young Chips will box six or ten rounds if Harry Thorne or Mr. H. Westbrook will give a purse.

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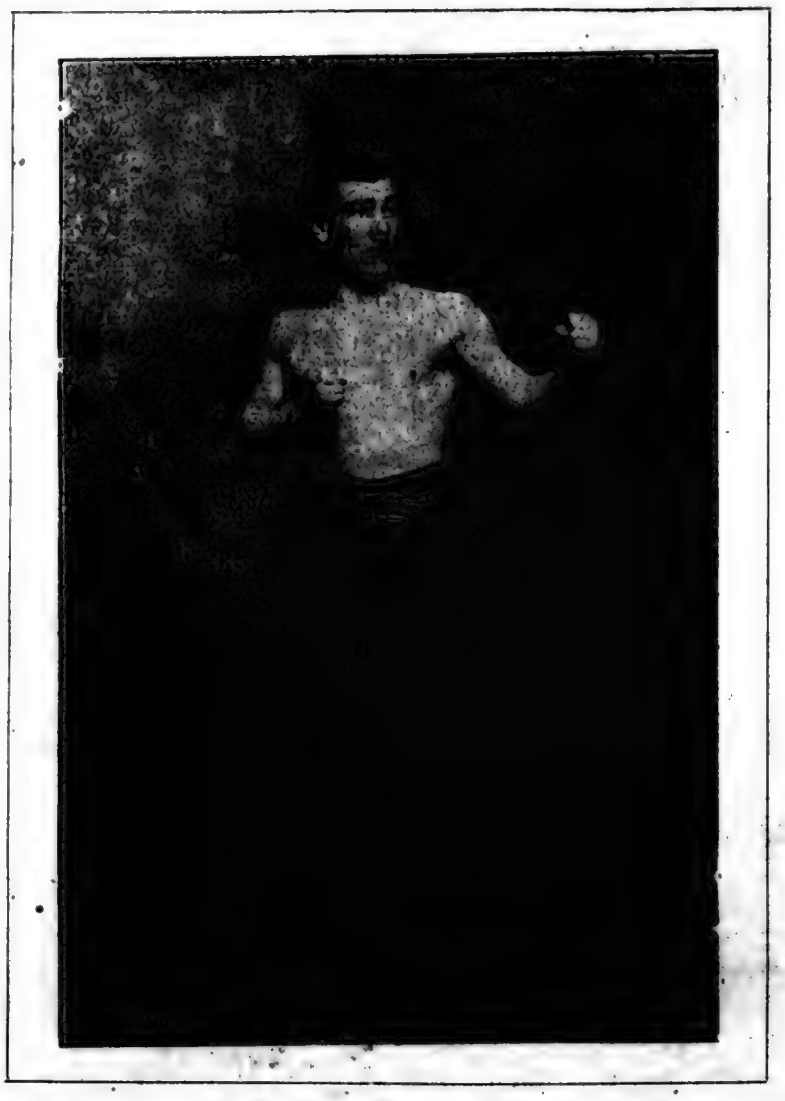

BILL FIELDER,

Who Met Billy Smith at the National Sporting Club, Monday Evening, November 19.

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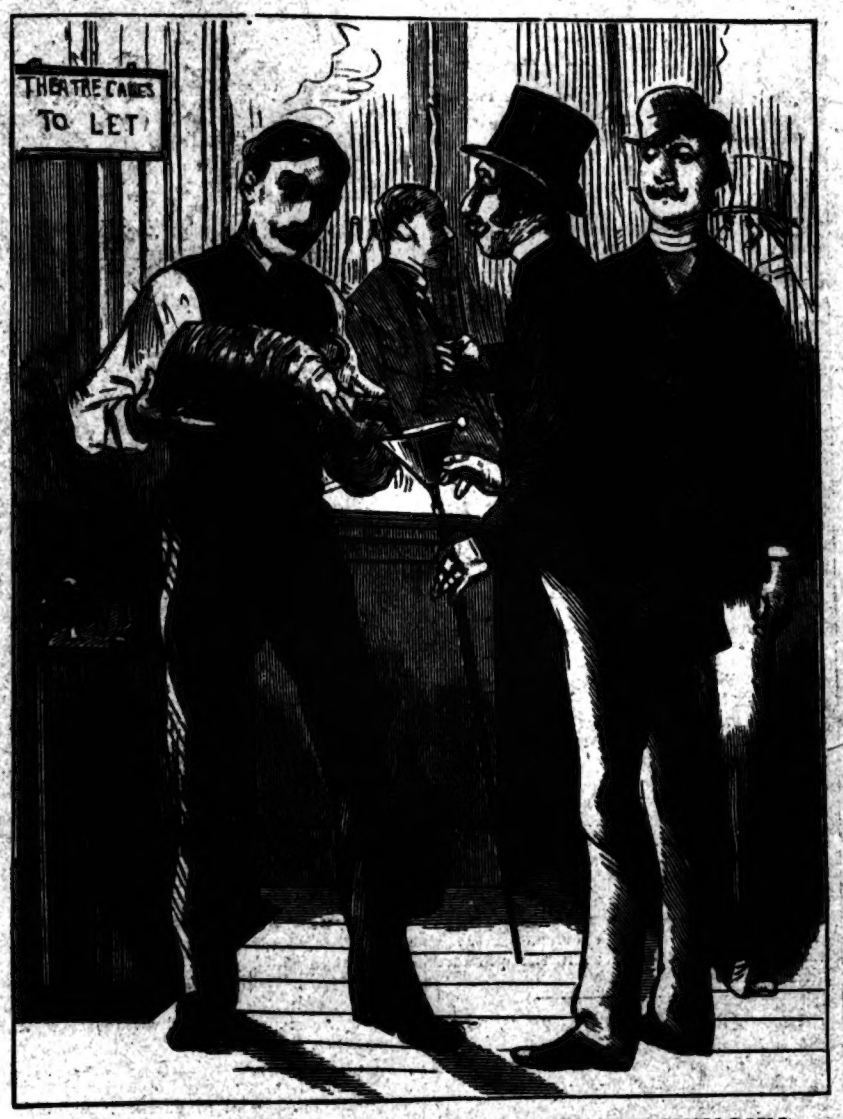

THEATRE CANES WELL FILLED WITH WHISKY.
Let on Hire for the Evening's Consumption.

CHAS. "KID" McCOY,
Who is Now Visiting Europe on Pleasure Bent.

SELECTING A SUBJECT FOR A PRETTY PHOTOGRAPH.
In Picturesque Attire she Posed for her Portrait as a Gipsy Queen.

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BOXING AT ADDLESTONE.

THE BIRTHPLACE OF BEACH, THE FAMOUS AUSTRALIAN SCULLER.

IT IS A GOOD MANY YEARS SINCE Bobbett was training at Addlestone for his match with Bill (Chesterfield) Goode, which took place at the Circus, Manchester. The distance from Islington, the starting point, is over thirty miles, and this, in company with a friend of Bobbett's who wished to see him train, we negotiated with an animal not more than 14 hands high, nearly seventy miles, out and home. It was a singular thing that next door to the cottage (one of a row) where Bobbett was being trained by Bill Reader and Jem Bevan the famous American sculler, Beach, was born. Beach, when he came over here to row some dozen years or more ago, called upon his aunt, a poor old widow who still lives in the cottage, having brought Beach up. The old lady was delighted to receive her nephew, and put herself a bit out to make him comfortable during his stay. When her nephew had departed without bestowing a keepsake the old lady looked on the mantelshelf and round the room, thinking the famous sculler might have left some token of his regard, but all in vain. The old lady even now exclaims, "Drat nephews from Australia." Alf Stanbrook's assault-at-arms at Addlestone reminded us of the above incident, an incident which is still spoken of in these cottages. The principal item of the assault-at-arms was a 10st competition, which only attracted three competitors. In the first series Lance-corporal Fairclough beat "Ginger" Warnes (Hersham). After Driver Tullett (A.S.C.) had sparred a bye with Bert Firmin, Fairclough met Tullett in the final and won. There were two six rounds contests. In the first, W. Reed (Addlestone) beat Bob Hart (Chertsey), and Bert Gaylor (Bethnal Green) beat Tom Wright (Greenwich). Exhibition sparring.—Walter Eyles v. Bert Firmin, Harry Churchill v. Bill Eyles, Ben Jordan v. Patsey Haley, Pat Daly v. a local amateur, Mr. H. Turner, and bouts of wrestling and boxing by the Brothers Pickard. The next entertainment will be on Monday next, November 26, when there will be three competitions for local boxers at catch-weight, 10st and 9st.

BOXING AT LEICESTER.—BEFORE a crowded house Professor Tom Wickwar provided his patrons with another of his special boxing tournaments, at the Mafeking Gymnasium, Leicester. The proceedings started with the heats of the 7st 6lb competition. Heat 1.—Pratt beat Stokes; Heat 2.—Shepperd beat Martin; Heat 3.—Young "Pedlar" Palmer beat Cottrill. Four rounds trial between Billy Hancock, the coming 7st champion, and W. Hall; a grand set-to. Another four rounds trial, Charlie Orton v. F. Sansome. Both went for all they were worth, and a grand set-to was the outcome of these lads being matched for a longer bout. Another grand exhibition was between the brothers Joe and Tom Willson, and by their very clever set-to drew forth rounds of applause. Then the ring was cleared for the event of the evening, which was a twelve rounds contest between Bill Sheriff, alias the "Prussian," nephew of the once famous "Prussian," and Fred Greaves. Round 1.—Both lads started very cautious, and feinting and dodging for an opening, and the round ended very quiet, neither having advantage. Rounds 2, 3, and 4 were of a rather quiet nature, first one and then the other having a little advantage. Round 5 was a very hotly contested round, Greaves, with his long reach, scoring slightly the faster. From Round 6 to the finish was of the fiercest nature possible, first one and then the other having advantage, but Greaves kept well in front with points till the last round, when the "Prussian," the stronger, set about his man in grand style, and looked like outing Greaves, but the latter kept his head well, and just won one of the fiercest battles ever seen in Leicester. Mr. Joe Willson made an efficient M.C., as usual, and Mr. Tom Atkins gave every satisfaction as referee. The semi-final and final of the 7st 6lb competition will take place on Tuesday, November 20, when there will be three ten rounds contests between local men.

HARRY MUNROE WILL BOX Harry Brodigan the best of fifteen rounds if Tom Wickwar will give a purse.

THE ARTILLERY A.C. ANNUAL Assault-at-arms.—The members of this well-known club, whose headquarters are situated in Shepherd Street, Spitalfields, held their annual assault-at-arms last Thursday evening, when the spacious Gymnasium was packed to repletion. The programme was of a long and varied character, and proved very interesting. Certainly boxing formed the principal part of the entertainment, and in this the following participated:—J. Goodwin v. J. Lawson, Jack Atkinson v. Sam Garcia, Alf Rose v. Alf Bishop, Bob Martin v. Tim Raphael, Bob Harris v. H. Polack, H. Clements v. W. Kirk, J. Mullen v. A. Friend, and Jack Boxer v. Sam Evans. There was a six rounds trial, which was practically a contest, between Sam Kite and Sam Myers, each boxing for all they were worth. A similar remark applies to the bout between Bert Adams and Jack Solomons. During the evening Alf Gold went through some exercises with the Indian clubs, and a squad of the A.A.C. gave a bar-bell display.

8st. COMPETITION AT SOUTHEND. —On Thursday night, November 8, a special competition took place between the following picked lads:—8st Competition (three rounds):—Nelson Rowlands (Benfleet) beat Alf Newman (Southend).—Rowlands, showing himself too clever for the Southender, gained the verdict on points. Bob Caiman (Sheerness) beat Gunner Childs (R.A.)—A real good bout, Caiman too good for the soldier. Jack Hare (Plaistow) beat Private Wheelan (A.S.C.).—A grand fight all through. Hare injured his right hand, but gained the award. "Nimble" White (Plumstead) beat Private Searcher (A.S.C.).—White very tricky, won easily on points. Tommy Hare (Pitsea) beat Private Leach (R.A.).—Leach a stone the heavier, but Nelson Rowland's pupil won. Nelson Rowlands beat Young Lee.—Rowlands knocked Lee out, and injuring his hand, retired. "Nimble" White beat Tommy Hare.—White an easy winner on points, but Hare strong to the finish. Final: Jack Hare beat "Nimble" White.—A grand struggle. After an extra round, Hare just won. In his bout with Private Wheelan Hare hurt his hand.

GEO. MILLAR, OF PAISLEY, WILL open his athletic club, consisting of boxing, Indian clubs, and dumbbells, &c., on Tuesdays and Thursday, November 20 and 22, 1900, at eight o'clock, at Moss Street, Paisley.

CALDER WILL BOX MORTIMER according to his challenge at 7st 6lb for £5, open to £10, a-side and the New Goodwin Club purse. A deposit at this office will be immediately covered.

JACK HARE'S BENEFIT.—JACK Hare, the Plaistow boxer, whose adventures in South Africa we have from time to time recorded, takes a benefit on November 24 at the Pier Pavilion, Southend, when he will be assisted by George Raby, Albert Lesurf, Alf Walkden, Alf Leeper, Fred Lingwood, and Bill Easy.

G. VEAL, OF BERMONDSEY, IN answer to G. Harper's (of Salford) challenge, will only be too pleased to box him ten or twenty rounds if Mr. Joe Smith or J. T. Hulls will give a purse. Failing Harper this challenge is also out to Johnny Hughes or Jack Lamb; first come first served. Any answer through THE MIRROR OF LIFE will lead to business.

"DARKEY" LEE, OF BERMONDSEY, and Jem Kirby, of Rotherhithe, are matched to box fifteen rounds on Mr. Harry Westbrook's special night, to-morrow, Thursday, November 15.

WEST HARTLEPOOL GYMNASIUM. —Would the following boxers please send their addresses, Frank Morecombe, Courtney Veal, Harper, of Salford, and Frank Exall, to J. Carter, 17, Garibaldi Street, West Hartlepool?

PROFESSOR W. MOORE, PRO-prietor of the Leeds and County B.C., is putting up purses from £10 to £100 for good lads. Respecting the above write at once to W. G. Foster, 61, Cameron Street, Leeds.

IKE WANDBY v. GEORGE CORFIELD. —Ike Wandby, who is now matched with George Corfield for £25 a-side and the best purse at any club on December 4, is training at Cottingham, a village near Hull, under the care of Tom Vashley, of Hull, and is already looking in good trim for his forthcoming contest.

GAY CAVALIERS AND HANDSOME PARTNERS ON WHEELS AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE

A Festive Gathering of Rank and Fashion in Gorgeous Costumes.

(Subject of Illustration.)

Now that the winter evenings are upon us, and outdoor enjoyment is not possible, large and spacious buildings like the Opera House at Covent Garden or Crystal Palace are utilised for fancy balls. It is here in the height of the season that the finest women in the world can be seen arrayed in every style of dress, each with a partner also dressed as a courtier or cavalier of the middle ages, making a gay and brilliant scene that the pen fails to describe. Such a scene was witnessed at the opening skating carnival at the Crystal Palace; there were several exceedingly handsome and grotesque costumes. Among the popular prize-winners were the "Queen of Hearts," "Mephistopheles," "C. Ivy," "Lord Mayor Newton," in full robes, and two gentlemen seeking the "Ten-Pound Note."

SELECTING A SUBJECT FOR A PRETTY PHOTOGRAPH.

In Picturesque Attire She Posed For Her Portrait as a Gipsy Queen.

(Subject of Illustration.)

WHERE is there a girl with pretty form and face who does not like to see herself reproduced in artistic attire in a photograph, and the studio of any fashionable photographer is constantly filled with ladies who willingly pose to reproduce a pretty picture. In some instances a model is induced to sit not in the costume of her everyday wear, but one that will add an attraction to the figure, and make her beauty appear angelic. Theatrical beauties owe their popularity as much to the photographer's as their own charms, as, taken under some conditions, even the plainest seem beautiful.

RE-OPENING OF KING'S HALL.— Last Saturday the above celebrated resort of the terpsichorean art was re-opened for the season. The well-known pianist, Miss H. Barnett, arranged a ball in honour of the occasion, and close upon 450 people were present during the entertainment. Shortly before eight o'clock those who intended to enjoy themselves began to arrive, and up to midnight they continued to come. A programme of twenty-four dances, besides extras, was run through, comprising all the popular dances of the day. The M.C.'s were Mr. I. Levy and "Manny" Lyons, the M.C. at both the Carlyle and Netherlands clubs. Messrs. M. Barnett, Lipman Harris, W. Asher, Mike Sawyer, hon. secretary, Abe Franks, the well-known waiter. The proceedings were ably conducted, and the evening passed without the slightest annoyance. Among the dancers were many who have taken prizes at various trials, but the best among these first-class dancers were Leah Klein and Miss Sawyer. Miss Barnett's quadrille band was in attendance, and played many pleasing selections during the evening. The tit-bit of the evening was a polonaise, conducted in splendid style by "Manny" Lyons and his co-M.C.I. Levy, Miss Barnett and Mr. Sawyer leading the way into many positions that seemed impossible to get out of, but everything went well, and it ended with a valse. Among those present we noticed Lew Joseph (the noted penciller), I. Cohen, M. Pinhus, I. Derose, S. Wise, J. Magnus, S. Hyman, A. King, L. Lewis, I. Levy, S. Shoulberg, Dave Solomons, H. and L. Barnett, J. Sasenia, M. Symons, H. Goldman, J. Goldstein, E. Herring, Mike Sheller, H. Simons, H. Mezier, S. Holman, L. Klein, D. Cohen, S. Loates, W. Asher, L. Goldberg, T. Nathan, Joe Jacobs, Dave Cohen, and Misses H. Magnus, J. Nathan, S. Bernstein, J. Finer, A. Barnett, E. Pinhus, Julia Morris, S. Barnett, Ray Sasenia, Sawyer, Goldberg, Ray Harris, Lily and Katey Woolf, A. Samuels, Ray Symons, E. Isaacs, Hyams, &c.

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THE OXFORD PATRONS BESTOW thunders of applause on Eugene Stratton for his latest song, "The Banshee."

BERT GILBERT TOPS A BIG BILL at the Holloway Empire this week. Full houses at both performances nightly seem to be the natural order of things here.

MATINEES OF THE CASINO GIRL at the Shaftesbury Theatre will in future be given every Wednesday and Saturday.

THE USUAL FLORAL DISPLAY WILL be seen to-morrow (Thursday) by those fortunate enough to get inside the Middlesex Music Hall, it being the 29th anniversary of J. L. Graydon's management and proprietorship.

THE KNIGHTS OF KNAVERY IS the title of a new sketch which is being played at the Queen's, Poplar, by Leonard Mortimer and Co. The sketch forms an excellent feature in a really slap-up programme.

PAT RAFFERTY'S SONG ANENT the ten commandments is much appreciated at Collins's, the stately Miss Dagmar and bonnie Miss Wentworth are also much appreciated in a programme already stocked with A1 turns. Mr. Digby Roberts is a thoroughly up-to-date manager.

THE ROYALTY THEATRE.—"MR. and Mrs. Daventry" is a cleverly written play, and is brimful of exciting incidents, and offers a magnificent chance to Mrs. Patrick Campbell, of which she thoroughly avails herself. She is the character on which the whole interest of the play is centred, and from the rising of the curtain disclosing Mrs. Daventry busy with her household accounts to the end of the last act the excitement and interest does not flag for one moment. Mrs. Campbell is ably supported by Mr. Fred Kerr and powerful company.

THAT CHARMING PLAY, "THE WED-ding Guest," is drawing large audiences to the Garrick. H. B. Irving has to resign his part, owing to prior engagements. The author is fortunate in being able to command the services of that sound young actor, Martin Harvey, who will play the leading character to-night (Wednesday) for the first time. He will in the spring start a season of his own with entirely new plays.

ROYAL AQUARIUM.—A BOY WONDER is appearing at the Westminster Aquarium who surpasses in the art of palming adult conjurers of renown. The boy's marvellous dexterity is simply wonderful, showing both hands front and back. He produces, to all appearances from absolutely nothing, endless quantities of coins, cards, eggs, handkerchiefs, and other articles. It is said that nothing in the way of conjuring has been witnessed in this or any country from so young a lad. There are also included in the Aquarium Show Ronco and Monte, who claim to have beaten all 10st athletic records; their feats of strength are undoubtedly very marvellous, and their muscular development extraordinary. The Aquarium performances are one of the sights of London. Amongst the general turns of interest are realistic war pictures and return of the C.I.V.

THE LONDON PAVILION HAD A FAR larger audience last Saturday afternoon than I had expected. It takes time for the public to realise that matinées are flourishing on new soil, and as soon as it is widely known that Saturday morning shows are in vogue this handsome hall will be yet more prosperous. The programme numbers thirty turns, all good. The boxing Harvey Boys are an early turn, but do not miss them; then follows Miss Ethel Dove, looking such a demure little Salvation lassie with a song of the "follow me" order that one is inclined to take her very seriously, till without any warning a wild clutch is made at her skirts, the orchestra plays a lively tune, and the artiste is indulging in the wildest dance. Miss Dove was recalled. Stratton in a new song, Robey as a Chinese laundryman, Bransby Williams with imitations, dainty Miss Alice Lloyd, George Mozart, and Mdlle. Sidy Nirvana, a charming young lady with a clever horse in a series of tableaux vivants, were some of the turns I saw on Saturday.

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